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DR. WILLIAMS AT LOUISVILLE

PERFORMS OPERATION AT RED CROSS SANITARIUM

MAKES ADDRESS FOR WOMEN NURSES

Proposed Improvements for Y. M. C. A.—Nannie H. Burroughs Returns to the City—Conservatory of Music Opens.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., March 17.—Louisville was visited last week by Dr. Daniel Williams, of Chicago, Ill., on a special surgical mission on Mrs. Carter for tumor and appendicitis. He spent a day in Louisville at the Red Cross Sanitarium, 2423 Shelby street, and was the guest of Dr. J. A. C. Lattimore, 1504 West Walnut street. At this writing Mrs. Carter is resting well and the hope of her recovery is assured.

During Dr. Williams' stay at the Sanitarium he delivered a short address to the physicians of the Falls City Medical Association, and also spoke to the young women who are taking the trained nursing course. He urged them to make the most of it, so as they go out they would reflect credit upon the institution. Dr. Williams spoke very complimentary of the institution. He praised the young women who were taking the course. He spoke of the needs of the Sanitarium, and said that the colored people ought to get behind it and make it one of the best of its kind in the South.

Dr. Williams was entertained at dinner at the home of Dr. Lattimore, and those present were Dr. H. B. Beck, Dr. Walter Adams, Dr. Williams, Cary B. Lewis and Dr. Lattimore. He left the same night for his home in Chicago.

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Mrs. Bishop Green is visiting Mrs. Peyton Greys, 940 Second street.

Mrs. Almire Morris left for Eminence, Ky., to spend two weeks.

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Mrs. P. H. Kennedy, of Henderson, Ky., was in the city this week to visit her daughter.

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Mrs. John Watson Cooper has been very ill, at her home on West Chestnut street, with lagrippe.

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Mrs. Lillie Kennedy left last Thursday to visit friends in French Lick, Ind. She will be gone several days.

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Mrs. Sadie Thurston, who died on March 12, was buried Sunday from the Bland Street Baptist Church.

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Walter McAtt left for Bargtown, Ky., to take charge of his father's farm. L. D. Ebbs and J. C. Mumpfoot accompanied him.

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Mrs. Sadie Thurston died Friday, March 12. She was well known, and leaves a host of relatives and friends. She was buried March 14.

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Prof. James R. Harris, of the Central High School, who took a relapse last week, is much better, and will be able to go to school this week.

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Mrs. Myra Fitzbutler Denison has been quite ill at her home, on West Madison street. Dr. Sarah Fitzbutler, at the same home, has also been quite ill.

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Mr. Bristoe Morris, of Indianapolis, Ind., was in the city last week to see his brother, Chancellor, who has been very ill at his home, on West Magazine street.

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Emma Brown left Louisville for Shelbyville, Ky., to be at the bedside of her sick son, Rev. William Brown, the pastor of the Clay Street Baptist Church.

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Williams Taylor, better known as "Zip," will meet any 135-pound boy in the United States to box a limited number of rounds, or bag-punching, for a purse of $100.

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Miss Sadie Evans, on Thirteenth street, between Madison and Chestnut streets, continues to keep ill. She has received a leave of absence from her school work.

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Mrs. Emma Brown left the city for Shelbyville, Ky., to be at the bedside of her sick son, the Rev. W. M. Brown, pastor of the Clay Street Baptist Church of that place.

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Mrs. Harriet Cole, wife of Mr. Thomas Cole, of 1709 West Chestnut street, is much better at this writing. Mrs. McComa, the sister of Mrs. Cole, is at the Cole residence.

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Mrs. W. T. Peyton has been ill at her home at Eighteenth and Round streets. She had been suffering with one of her eyes, but the specialists claim that it was nothing serious.

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William Grant, proprietor of the Imperial cleaning parlor, 653 Jackson, is here on a two days' stay on business, on his way to Chicago. He is the guest of Miss Maggie Warford.

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Mr. A. H. Crutchfield, 912 West Walnut street, is preparing to do a large soda water trade this spring. He has the largest soda fountain in the city, and can accommodate large numbers.

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"Founders' Night," in commemoration of the thirtieth anniversary of Unity Lodge No. 12, F. and A. M., will be held Wednesday night, March 17. Dr. W. H. Perry will act as master of ceremonies. A fine program has been arranged for the occasion.

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Miss Juanita Adams, private secretary to Miss Nannie H. Burroughs, arrived in the city last week, after an absence of three months. While away she visited Topeka, Kansas City, Denver and Washington, D. C.

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Mr. Pink Alexander is the proprietor of the new cafe at 629 West Green street. The cafe will be known as the Keder Kahn. It is one of the oldest stands in the city. A reopening was held at the place last week, and the outlook for success is bright.

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There is some talk of investigating the $5,000 that left the Orphans' Home, on Eighteenth street, and what has become of the same. A public demand, it is said, will be urged for the looking into the books of the Orphans' Home from then back until now.

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The Martin R. Delany Camp, Sons of Veterans, was organized last week at the U. B. F. Hall. A number of young men who are sons of veterans were present, and were mustered into the camp. George Tolbert was the leading figure in the movement, and he was made the commander.

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The old Keder Kahn is open again. A beautiful concert hall is attached to the building, and Mr. Pink Alexander is the bartender, and is known to be one of the best mixers in town. Mr. Willimas Brower is the entertainer. This place is where colored people can go and hear the best orchestra in the city, at 629 Green street.

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Mrs. Hicks, the mother of Miss Mary V. Hicks, has been quite ill at her home, at Brook and Caldwell streets. Mr. Alexander Hicks, of Washington, D. C., a brother to Mrs. Hicks, is in the city on a short stay. Mrs. Hicks is one of the oldest and best known citizens of Louisville, and is a devoted member of the Jacob Street Tabernacle, of which the Rev. Hannum is pastor.

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The Louisville Giants and the Cubs are the two baseball clubs that have lommed up in the limelight. Both teams are said to have signed some very good players. Reccius will be manager of the Cubs, it is reported, and Ed Lancaster manager of the Giants. Baseball will most likely be pretty lively this summer. There will be a great deal of competition to get the crowds.

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The commencement of the Red Cross Sanitarium will be held at the Hancock Street Church April 9, and the Hon. C. C. Stoll will deliver the commencement address. The graduates will be Misses Della Sandusky, Ora Owens and Mamie Kennedy. They will deliver specially prepared addresses. A musical program will also be given. On April 12, at the home of Miss Nora Wilson, a reception will be given the graduates. Miss Ruby Thompson, of the class of 1907, will deliver the alumnae address.

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We deeply regret to learn of the death of Mr. J. O. Battle, editor of the Nashville Globe. While Mr. Battle was not so widely known in this city, his newsy and wide-awake paper was read here by scores of people. He was better known by those who have attended Fisk and Meharry Universities and are now in the professions in this city.

His journalistic career must have been very successful, as his paper was one of the newsiest and most ably edited that comes to our table. As a fellow craftsman we extend the Globe our heartfelt sympathy.

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The Entre Nous Club, one of the most popular clubs in the city among the society girls, will give an "auction sale" for the benefit of the poor, some time in April. The officers of the club are: Miss Carrie Anderson, president; Miss Pearl White, secretary, and Mrs. Julia Alexander, treasurer.

This is not the first time that the organization has been of service to the orphans. Every year these young women make it a specialty to do something toward charity. They are not classed among the clubs that fritter all their time away with dances, but mix pleasure and work together.

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A new and better High School should be the eternal slogan of the colored people of this city. It is a movement that should appeal to every race-loving citizen in the community. It is sorely needed. The whites are continually building new schools, and the blacks are resting on their oars, and the first thing some trustee will have a deal on to give the Negroes some old, delapidated school that has been used for a quarter of a century by the other race.

The agitation should go on unceasingly. Teacher, pupil, preacher, business man, laborer and everybody should talk to their white friends about a new High School. Keep on working and talking. It will come most likely that way, rather than sitting and waiting.

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The Young Men's Business Club held a very interesting and enthusiastic meeting Monday night at the tailor shop of Mr. Len Haley and Mr. Robert Hester, 444 Eighth street. The meeting brought out a large number of representative young men who are actually engaged in business. Mr. H. B. Hankerson, of Chicago, Ill., was the principal speaker.

It was decided to call the organization the Young Men's Business Club, and the following permanent officers were elected: Cary B. Lewis, president; G. P. Hughes, vice-president; Dr. R. M. Williss, secretary, and Len Haley, treasurer.

The club will meet next Monday night at Haley & Hester's, and Mr. B. Z. Atkins will speak on "Journalism," and the club will be the guest of Mr. W. H. Parker.

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Miss Nannie H. Burroughs arrived in the city this week, after spending several weeks in the East in the interest of the National Training School, which is located in Washington, D. C.

Miss Burroughs reports that her trip was successful beyond expectation. Everywhere, she said, "people turned out in masses to hear me present my work, and they were pleased with our endeavors, and sympathized with our movement. Our work is a growing success, and God and the people are with us." Miss Burroughs addressed a large gathering at Zion Baptist Church, where she was given a hearty welcome to the city. Mrs. Vienna Parker presided at the meeting, and the Foreign Mission Quartette furnished music for the occasion.

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From what Editor William H. Steward says in the American Baptist of last week, the Negroes who want jobs had better get together and decide on some one person for a job at the hands of "brother" William Taft. In Kentucky there are five Negroes, including Dr. E. E. Underwood, W. D. Johnson, Hon. Albert S. White, R. T. Berry and Rev. P. H. Kennedy, who want "pie." All these good men richly deserve some "pie"—and cake, too, so far as that's concerned—but they had better decide on some one man and get the press behind him, and, with the aid of Senator Bradley, they may be heard from soon at some foreign port. Get together if you want to be in the "Black Cabinet." Col. R. W. Thompson says that you deserve something, and he is a Kentuckian and is right on the spot, and he ought to know. We only want to know the lucky man upon whom the "big five" will decide, and we are ready to go the limit in publishing his claims.

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The Louisville Conservatory of Music opened this week in the Douglass Building, 726 Walnut street. The announcement claims that the institution offers a complete course in piano, voice, organ and violin theory. The proprietor of the school is Mr. Tulle E. Brown, a graduate of the New England Conservatory of Music, and has taught in the Flanner Guild Music School of Indianapolis, Ind., for three years.

Madam Lucy B. Porter, who has had fifteen years' experience in music teaching, will assist in vocal culture. Mrs. Porter has been a favorite singer in this section, and has done splendid work in the New England States on a concert tour.

Prof. Joe Quintero, of Mexico, will give lessons on the violin. Mrs. James E. Givens will conduct studies in art.

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The members of the Virginia Avenue Baptist Church, Portland, this city, gave the Rev. I. T. Ballou a royal welcome to become pastor of the church. The church was formerly pastored by the Rev. A. Jones, who resigned to accept a call at Lexington, Ky.

Services were held morning, noon and night. The principal exercises of the day were held at night. The Rev. John H. Frank, pastor of the Fifth Street Baptist Church, acted as master of ceremonies. Spurgeon Jones introduced the Rev. Ballou. He delivered a very able and practical sermon. A program was given that was arranged by Miss Maud Wright, of the Baptist Mission Rooms.

Editor William H. Steward and the Revs. Locus, Craighead and Milton were among the visiting ministers who delivered short addresses. The church is in a splendid working condition, and great good is expected to come to the congregation under the pastorate of the Rev. Ballou.

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Politics is certainly going to be warm this year. Already there have been numbers of candidates to announce for the various offices to be nominated and elected by the people of this commonwealth. The question that is now rising in the minds of the "brothers" is, what are they going to do for the Negro? Some Negroes have come out and said that they are going to be with the party that is going to do the most for his race. One man who wants to be mayor says Mr. Dave Steward "is going to put a Negro fire department in California and Negro police in the same community." Others claim that they are not satisfied with the recognition given the Negro by the present Reform Administration.

With all this staring the "brothers" in the face, it looks as though things are going to be pretty warm. At any rate, this coming election will be hotly contested, and the "black politician" is going to play some little part in it. It is to be hoped that he will act wisely and get something, and not be left out in the cold when the race is over.

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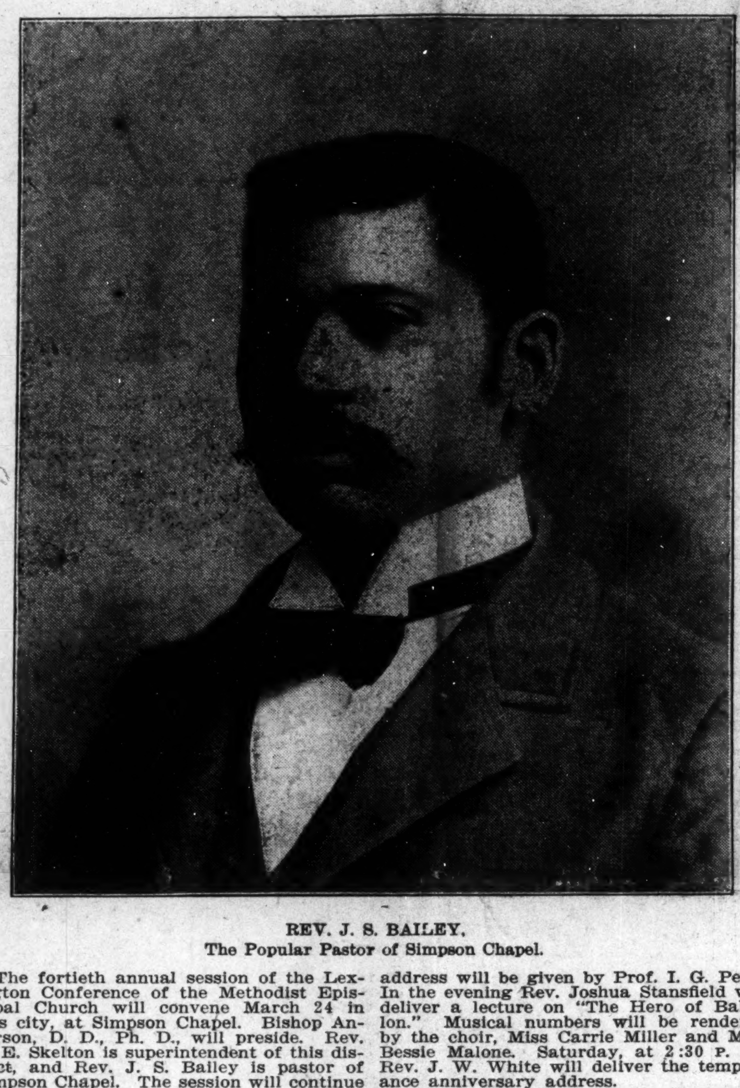
At last the Young Men's Christian Association expects to take a leap. It expects to leap into a set of up-to-date bath rooms, pool table and reading room. There have been added to the committee of management some young men who are wide awake and progressive. These additions will fill a long-felt want at this institution. Mr. Bullock has always had his eye open to this kind of accessories, but there have been a few who have kicked against it, and the result was nothing doing to attract the young men save reading the Bible and hearing lectures. No one takes exception to hearing the Bible read or hearing lectures, but the young men want to indulge in some innocent amusements.

We predict that if the association can secure these additions to which we have referred, that a score of young men in the city will be found at the Y. M. C. A. taking a part in all the affairs of the association, which they claim leads to a higher and nobler Christian manhood.

The association has been a magnificent success. The women of the city have rallied to it nobly. Mr. Bullock is grateful to those who have assisted him. There will be greater success if the young men can be assured of some forms of amusement that are had in other associations. Let us work and pray for the same.

CARY B. LEWIS.



REV. J. S. BAILEY,
The Popular Pastor of Simpson Chapel.

The fortieth annual session of the Lexington Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church will convene March 24 in this city, at Simpson Chapel. Bishop Anderson, D. D., Ph. D., will preside. Rev. D. E. Skelton is superintendent of this district, and Rev. J. S. Bailey is pastor of Simpson Chapel. The session will continue five days. An interesting program will be rendered each day, besides the transaction of the regular conference business.

On Tuesday evening previous to the opening of the session an informal reception will be held. Hon. George L. Knox will deliver the welcome address. Rev. H. J. Calles will give greetings the colored Methodists of the city, and Rev. K. Warren from the Colored Baptist.

Wednesday morning Mayor Charles A. Bookwalter will give the welcome address in behalf of the city of Indianapolis, Dr. C. R. Atkins for Simpson Chapel, and Rev. W. W. King, pastor of Central Avenue M. E. Church, for the Methodist Ministers' Meeting of Indianapolis. At 8:45 the American Bible Society anniversary will be observed, and Rev. J. P. Wragg, of Atlanta, will deliver the address.

Rev. Joshua Stansfield, pastor of the Meridian Street M. E. Church, will deliver an address Thursday morning. On Friday at 3:30 the Epworth League anniversary address will be given by Prof. I. G. Penn. In the evening Rev. Joshua Stansfield will deliver a lecture on "The Hero of Babylon." Musical numbers will be rendered by the choir, Miss Carrie Miller and Mrs. Bessie Malone. Saturday, at 2:30 P. M., Rev. J. W. White will deliver the temperance anniversary address.

On Sunday, at 9:30 A. M., Sunday-school in the lecture room; love feast, conducted by Revs. W. L. Muir, Paris Pisher, H. Dupee and W. W. Heston; 10:45 A. M., preaching, Bishop W. F. Anderson, D. D., Ph. D.; 3 P. M., ordination service; 3:45 P. M., memorial sermon, Rev. J. L. Franklin, Rev. Charles Jones presiding; 7:30 P. M., board of conference claimants, Rev. J. Courtney, D. D., presiding; address, Dr. E. W. S. Hammond.

Rev. Bailey and his congregation are perfecting arrangements to make this meeting one of interest and enjoyment. The general committee is as follows: Rev. J. S. Bailey, chairman; Rev. D. E. Skelton, district superintendent Indianapolis District; Rev. L. M. Hagood, district superintendent Lexington District; Rev. H. W. Tate, district superintendent Louisville District; Rev. E. A. White, district superintendent Ohio District; Rev. G. W. Zeigler, district superintendent Maysville District; Rev. T. R. Prentiss, pastor Barnes Chapel; Rev. Preston Morton, pastor Scott's Chapel.

QUINCY, ILL.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Mrs. Carrie Smith, of Springfield, Ill., is spending a few days with her parents, Rev. and Mrs. T. L. Smith....There were thirty baptized Sunday. Rev. Smith said that he put them all under, too....The sad news was received of the death of Mr. David White. He leaves a wife and four little children....Men's Day at the Culture Club, Sunday....Company I, Eighth Illinois, National Guard, was inspected by Col. J. R. Marshall, of Chicago, Maj. O. Duncan and Capt. R. A. Byrd, of Springfield, Ill....Mallory Bros.' Vaudeville Company played "A Jealous Wife" at the Soldiers' Home, and had a great success. After the show they put on a new dance at Rogers Hall....Those on the sick list: Mrs. Rosa Coleman, Mrs. Fannie Curl and Mrs. Holder....Read The Freeman. Give your subscription to S. H. Shumaker, 2005 Spruce street.

NEGRO LIFE AND ACTIVITIES

BIG ADVANTAGES FOR THE RACE AT HOPKINSVILLE

WISHES CONSULTED IN ALL AFFAIRS

Cordial Relations Between the Two Races—Negroes Figure in All Kinds of Business—Many Prominent Churches.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

HOPKINSVILLE, Ky., March 15.—Probably there is no other city of equal size in the Southland where Negro citizens enjoy such unparalleled advantages and receive such cordial treatment as here in Hopkinsville, where the population of the city is about equal between the races, and where in the county there are many times more Negroes than white people.

These superior advantages enjoyed by the Negroes of Christian county have been utilized in various ways, and now they enjoy almost unequalled power in political matters, and have made Christian county one of the strongholds of Republicanism in the State. Their wishes are consulted in all matters political, and the leaders of the race in political matters, as in all other matters, have the confidence and respect of all the people. In this list figure conspicuously Mr. E. W. Glass, the councilman from the Fifth Ward, Mr. Peter Postell, Mr. Hiram H. Smith, Mr. Kinney Tyler and Mr. George Leavell. Just now the primary for the Republican nomination for county officers is on, and the colored brother is quite manifest in the vicinity of the Temple of Justice, and his counsel and opinion is eagerly sought by the politicians.

It is in other matters than politics that Negroes make themselves felt around here. On the streets and in the public places no such term as "nigger" is ever heard, and prominent white business men and professional men evince that respect for their Negro customers and clients that is seldom witnessed in other localities. Some argue that where the relations between the races is so cordial, and Negroes receive such marked consideration at the hands of white merchants and business men, little opportunity is afforded for profitable employment in such pursuits among the people of the race, and that to a certain extent the existence of race prejudice is necessary to a healthy business development among the Negroes.

If this can be safely adduced as the rule, Negro life and activities around Hopkinsville must be the exception. There are more grocery establishments in Hopkinsville than can be numbered, the most prominent of which are the firms of J. R. Hawkins & Co., catering almost wholly to white trade; Andrew Buckner, the Seventh-street grocer; George A. Leavell, who does a thriving business in a purely Negro settlement, and many others. The Central Avenue Pharmacy is perhaps one of the nicest drug stores in the South, and is owned by Dr. S. Holsey Warfield, who also has a large and lucrative practice. Mr. E. W. Glass, the councilman from the Fifth Ward, is engaged in the undertaking business, and figures as one of the most prominent citizens of the State. He is and has for several years been secretary of the Republican county committee, and frequently receives such honors and consideration in political matters to which these positions entitle him. As the councilman from the Fifth Ward, he is vigilant in the discharge of his duties in that body, and guards with a careful eye the fortunes of his constituents.

Other undertaking firms are Tyler & Tyler and H. O. Chafin. The firm of Tyler & Tyler has had a remarkable career. It is composed of Messrs. Kinney Tyler and William Tyler, both of whom are substantial citizens. Mr. Kinney Tyler has a host of white friends, an excellent rating, and is in possession of some choice real estate. He, too, figures among the astute and level-headed politicians of the county. The firm of Tyler & Tyler is doing a large volume of business, and are both strong church and secret order men.

Dr. S. H. Warfield has recently opened the Central Avenue Pharmacy, which, as has been before stated, will compare favorably with any other store of its kind in the South. The appointments are adequate in every way, the fixtures nice and costly, and a first-class line of toilet articles, stationery, choice tobacco and cigars carried. Dr. John H. Jones, a registered pharmacist, is in charge of the store.

Mr. James L. Turner, late of the firm of J. R. Hawkins & Co., has also recently opened a very nice cafe, catering to the select trade of the city. His place has become headquarters for the traveling men who have to pass in and through the city, and the service is fast approaching the A1 order.

Mr. George A. Leavell, heretofore referred to, is doing a first-class business at his large grocery, located on the corner of Vine and First streets. Mr. Leavell stands well with all the people of the city, owns some valuable real estate, and has an interesting family. Mr. Frank Mays, in his fruit and confectionery business, does a thriving business with the students from the McLean College.

One of the strongest individuals in the whole city, from various points of view, is Mr. N. W. Kirkpatrick, owner of a large amount of real estate, the popular saloonist and philanthropist. Mr. Kirkpatrick's has been a remarkable career. He is an ex-slave, and yet, by dint of industry, perseverance and economical living and steady habits, he has amassed a fortune not equaled by that of any other man of the race in western Kentucky. He is easily one of the leading forces of the city. Easily approached, generous to a fault, he commands a respect and admiration not to be despised. He has associated with him in business Mr. Peter Postell, Jr., who, by his energy and untiring application, takes a great deal of the responsibility off Mr. Kirkpatrick's shoulders.

Mr. Postell also has some real estate of value, runs a large, well-appointed pool room, and has interests in real estate represented by the Postell estate.

Mr. Ed Summers, Mr. Richard Redd and Mr. Richard Phelps are likewise in the whisky business. Another amusement venture lately opened is the Kirkpatrick Theater, owned by the Kirkpatrick Theater Company, composed of Mr. Phil H. Brown, Mr. Richard Phelps and Mr. John Williams. The show is presenting some clean bills of high-class vaudeville and moving picture scenes, and is playing to crowded houses.

Mr. William C. Merriweather has, in the Postell Court, a nice, clean, sanitary barber shop, which he has recently opened for the accommodation of the first-class colored trade of the city. Mr. Merriweather has just left the white trade and entered this business to better accommodate the people of his race. He is well equipped for the accommodation of his customers, does good work, and is already receiving large support. Mr. Merriweather practices law at the local bar, and is fast making a favorable reputation. Other lawyers practicing here are Mr. W. T. Head and Mr. J. T. Whitney.

The physicians practicing in Hopkinsville are Dr. J. C. Lyte, Dr. J. T. Flemister, Dr. J. C. Duncan, Dr. William M. Leverett and Dr. S. Holsey Warfield. All of these gentlemen are good physicians, and have the command of the Nego patronage of the vicinity. Dr. J. Garfield Glass, who recently graduated from the Meharry Medical College, leaves this week for Henderson, where he will practice.

As in all other communities, the churches, of course, play an important part in the life of the people. The Virginia Street Baptist Church is perhaps the largest and strongest church, and has for its pastor Rev. Edward Williams, who has been in this particular charge for twenty-four years. His long service has endeared him to the people, and his usefulness has ever been on the increase. His pastorate has never been marked by bitter differences so common in Baptist churches, and his has been a singularly clean life and a successful work. Perhaps the crowning point in his pastorate here was his almost unanimous election as moderator of the General Association of Kentucky Baptists, which met here in its last annual session.

Rev. B. J. Garrott is the energetic and resourceful pastor of the Main Street Baptist Church. He has a large following, is a strong preacher, an unfearing race man, and a leader of his people in everything that tends to their welfare. His voice has been heard on the prominent rostrums in this section of the State, and he frequently takes a leading part in political matters, and stands high with the people of all classes.

Rev. R. L. Bayless is pastor of the Freeman Chapel Colored Methodist Episcopal Church, which is the leading charge in the West Kentucky Conference, and is one of the transfer charges of the connection. Such eminent divines as Rev. J. W. Luckett, Rev. T. J. Moppins and others have been numbered as its pastors. It has a strong membership, and exercises a commanding influence in the community.

The Hopkinsville Times, of which Mr. Joseph Dewees is publisher, editor and sole owner, grows in favor daily with the people of the city. It has a good plant, does all of its own work, and in all matters comes to the defense of the Negro people. Scores of other business enterprises are managed by the people, all of which receive liberal patronage.

NEWS NOTES OF THE NATION'S CAPITAL.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 16.—The rumor that Dr. Booker T. Washington is not to accept the appointment as one of the three commissioners to visit Liberia seems to be confirmed. President Taft cannot spare the "Wizard" out of the country. It is stated upon excellent authority that the place has been assigned to Mr. Emmett J. Scott, and that the President has personally urged the talented young secretary-journalist to take up the work. Aside from Dr. Washington, no fitter selection could be made, and the race call upon Mr. Scott to go to Liberia and assist in devising ways and means to bring them the relief this country is anxious to bestow. Mr. Scott has the matter under advisement, and will give his answer within a few days. His friends are a unit in insisting that he accept.

Miss Julia A. Brown, a charming "Hoosier" from Indianapolis, Ind., has been spending a fortnight in the city, the guest of Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Thompson, of 1348 Wallach Place, N. W. Miss Brown attended all of the notable social functions during the inaugural period, saw the sights, and was the guest of honor at a number of special entertainments. She has gone on to Jersey City, to remain until after Easter as the guest of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Roper. Miss Brown is an expert in the art of hairdressing, and introduced several new and improved methods in hair manufacture and modes, which have been favorably received at the hands of the leading society people of her State. She has been identified with the high-grade establishment operated by her mother, Mrs. Sallie A. Brown, but is seriously contemplating going into business for herself in this city, where the demand for first-class work is particularly strong and continuous. She will prove a welcome addition to both our business and social life.

Bishop Grant has gone to Florida for his health, which has been greatly impaired of late. He joins his wife at Jacksonville.

The joint commencement of the M Street High and Armstrong Technical High and Normal School No. 2 will be held June 18 at Convention Hall.

Col. John R. Marshall, of Chicago, commander of the Eighth Illinois Regiment, is the newest applicant for the recordership of deeds. He is said to be backed by Senator Cullom. Lawyer Albert S. White, of Louisville, Ky., has shied his caster into the ring for the Liberian mission. He is supposed to have the support of Senator Bradley, who has long regarded him as a man of exceptional ability. Entries for the various places are being bade daily.

Auditor Ralph W. Tyler will have his compilation of President Taft's speeches ready for distribution in a short time.

The battle of the typewriters is no more. 'Tis well!

R. W. T.

ORANGEBURG, S. C.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Claflin University's prima donna, accompanied the quartet to Columbia last week....Mr. Thornton Johnson continues to be ill....Mr. Johnie Carrion is ill at his home on Railroad avenue....Miss Garrison of Gainsville, Fla., is in Orangeburg on missionary work....The rooms of the State College have been beautified, painted and pictures placed upon the walls.

The Freeman is the leading Negro journal.

Women and Their Interests

By "DOROTHY."

THOUGHTS FOR THE WEEK.

The happiness of your life depends upon the character of your thoughts.

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Envy is blind, and knows nothing except to depreciate the excellence of others.

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A friendship that makes the least noise is very often the most useful; for which reason I should prefer a prudent friend to a zealous one.

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Self-trust is the first secret of success—the belief that, if you are here, the authorities of the universe put you here, and for cause, or with some task strictly appointed you in your constitution; and as long as you work at that, you are successful.

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Some people plant poison ivy and wonder why they do not have strawberries.

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It is very bad taste to speak evil of your superiors.

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The eyes of other people are the eyes that ruin us. If all but myself were blind, I should want neither fine clothes, fine houses nor fine furniture.

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There is nothing that adds more distinctiveness than ability combined with ambition.

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It takes ability to discover good things. Have you ability?

WORK FOR CHARITY AT LOS ANGELES

annual display at the residence of its pres-

The Episcopal Church of Los Angeles is establishing work for the Negro youths of that city. Mrs. Maggie Sanford is in charge of the sewing circle, and twice a week girls meet at her home to learn to sew and do so neatly.

Mrs. Thomas J. Nelson, a graduate of the Los Angeles High School, has been actively engaged in Sunday-school work for a period of more than ten years. She was the instigator of the day nursery idea for the Negro Nursery Association.

The Woman's Day Nursery Association of Los Angeles was formed in January, 1907, at Wesley Chapel M E. Church. Many women of the race are compelled to be away from their homes during the entire day. The nursery association plans to care for these children in a comfortable home, send them to the nearest public school, and give them their lunch and a light supper for a nominal fee. Otherwise, not a few of these children would be left to the evil influence of the street. The association was incorporated May 11, 1908. They are purchasing a house and lot at No. 1123 Channing street, and hope to open the doors of their nursery this year. This property, which is rented, is well located for its intended purpose. These women will carefully select a matron, and establish and maintain a well-regulated playground.

The Child Study Circle of the Nursery is skillfully managed by Mrs. Eugene Walker, the president. This year they have made a special study of the individual child, the cause of sensitiveness, untruthfulness, and the effects of different foods. Mrs. D. A. Russell has faithfully served two terms as an efficient secretary, and too much praise cannot be given Mrs. J. N. Sellers, who, in every case, has been the power behind the throne in the management of the financial affairs of the club.

On November 2, 1902, at the African Methodist Church, the Sojourner Truth Club was organized, for the definite purpose of establishing a Working Girls' Home. This club has $600 in the treasury and is planning the erection of a modern, model home. Every year brings into the city a large number of girls who must support themselves. The Sojourner Truth Club feels that the girls of good character and temperate habits should have a place to call home, even after they have found work. The efficient president, Mrs. J. M. Scott, has formulated many plans for the completion of the "mile of pennies" to be used in the erection of this home. The mile of pennies is to be computed at 20 cents per foot, and when complete will place in the treasury $1,000 to begin the purchase of their home site.

The Woman's Progressive Club is, perhaps, the oldest of its kind in the city among the Negro women, having been organized more than six years ago at the home of Mrs. L. V. Brown. They are working for mutual improvement, especially along literary lines. They have made a study of the life and works of Shakespeare, Browning and several other writers. They are now studying the history of the dark races and the code of California. Mrs. Wren, the president, has written several able discussions on the offiliation of the Negro Woman's Club with the National Federation.

Mrs. Elizabeth Warner is the president of the State Federation of Negro Woman's Clubs. She has held several all-day sessions, and has traveled extensively in the interest of club and fraternal work in this city.

Mrs. Hicks, of Pasadena, who was one of the original Fisk Jubilee Singers that toured England, is president of the Woman's Literary and Industrial Club, of that city. They are planning the erection of a reading room for the Negro youth of Pasadena.

Twelve young ladies of Los Angeles, with their escorts and chaperons, have organized the Young Ladies' Dramatic Club. They are striving to cultivate a desire for pure thought-inspiring literature. They meet and etnertain worthy strangers, and give dramas for the benefit of charitable clubs. Miss Estelle Everett, the president, attended the Packard Dramatic School, of Colorado Springs, and carried off a gold medal for her dramatic work there.

Mrs. Maud Ellworth Saunders, the directress of the Yonng Woman's Dramatic Club, was educated in St. Elizabeth's Convent of St. Louis. She was understudy to Henrietta Venton Davis, a world-famous actress. Mrs. Saunders has best distinguished herself in French embroidery and other needle arts. While attending the Convent of St. Magdalena in Pennsylvania, Mrs. Saunders crocheted a magnificent surplice for Most Rev. Archbishop Ryan, which is worn by his grace only on state occasions. The pattern was originated by a nun in the school, and the design, the famous shamrock and thistle, is now extinct.

FOR HER COMFORT.

It is gratifying to many women to know that long sleeves this summer will be the proper thing.

Additions to the underwear wardrobe can now be made with little cost. Some prefer garments made at home, and women with some taste and a little time can produce a number of pretty things.

Don't wear things that do not become you, just because the fashions say so. Cultivate some individuality.

HOW TO PROVIDE A SINKING FUND FOR CHURCH DEBTS

"For the occasional special debt or for minor improvements there ought to be a sinking fund that may be drawn upon when needed," writes S. M. Purvis, in the March number of The Circle magazine. "To create this fund, I will suggest a plan that has been tried in various parts of the country with glowing results. Its success depends on faithful collectors and small amounts of money.

"If you are tempted to despise small amounts, remember the penny-in-the-slot places and the nickel moving-picture shows. Ask some one on the inside if it pays. If you question the value of collectors, ask the installment house or the industrial insurance people, or, indeed, any mercantile house. Humanity gives more in small amounts frequently than in large amounts occasionally.

"The plan is called 'The Calendar Club.' If there is a young women's organization like the 'King's Daughters,' with about sixty members, it is just the organization to handle this excellent scheme. The president represents the year 1909. She selects twelve persons to represent the months—'Miss January,' 'Miss February,' 'Miss March,'. etc. Each month selects four weeks, known as 'Miss First-Week-in-January,' 'Miss Second-Week-in-January,' 'Miss Third-Week-in-January,' 'Miss Fourth-Week-in-January,' 'Miss First-Week-in-February,' etc. These forty-eight 'Weeks' each select among the members and friends of the church seven 'Days'—Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, etc. Then all Year, Months, Weeks and Days are asked to contribute 'a penny a day.' Each 'Week' collect from her 'Days,' seven persons. Each 'Month' simply superintends her four 'Weeks,' while the president, 'Miss 1909,' looks after her twelve 'Months,' calling them together every so often to hear their report. The thing is so simple, the amount is so small, that it hardly seems worth while. But, bless you! the Year, Months, Weeks and Days amount to 397 persons, each contributing one cent a day! Multiply 397 pennies by 365 days in the year, and you have the enormaus sum of $1,449.05. Practically fifteen hundred dollars a year!"

Mrs. Ella E. Braxton, the wife of Rev. J. W. Braxton, of Colorado Springs, is editing the woman's column of the Western Enterprise, published in that city.

Miss Jessie Williams, a successful hairdresser and beauty culturist, formerly of Indianapolis, is now located at Hot Springs, Ark., and is furthering her profession there, and also giving lessons to a class of select young colored women of that city.

Mrs. Ezekiel Ridley and Mrs. V. E. Guy will represent the Mite Missionary Society of St. John's A. M. E. Church of Topeka, which meets at Parsons in July.

A RECORD-BREAKER.

It is said that the greatest and quickest permanent advertising success on record is that of Cascarets, Candy Catharties, which have been persistently advertising in every way, but chiefly in the newspapers, for about ten years. In that time the sale of Cascarets has grown from nothing to over one million boxes a month. This wonderful record is the result of great merit successfully made known. Those who tried Cascarets as a direct result of advertising were pleased and recommended the article to their friends, until its fame was spread to become universal.

RACE GLEANINGS.

At Sheffield, Ala., E. H. Fields, president of the Local League, besides being the only colored funeral director in the place, with a $2,500 stock in hand, is also the real estate agent of the Tennessee Coal and Manufacturing Company, composed chiefly of Northern white capitalists, with headquarters in Nashville, Tenn. He looks after the rental of about two hundred houses belonging to this company.

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William L. Gray, also of Sheffield, owns and operates a plant for the manufacture of different kinds of soft drinks. The equipment is valued at $3,000. His patronage is mostly from white merchants in the cities of Tuscumbia, Sheffield and Florence, Ala.

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Dr. W. E. Sterrs, president of the Decatur (Ala.) League, is one of the solid business and professional men of the place. He is the fortunate owner of a two-story brick building in the main street, worth at least $15,000. On the first floor he has a well-stocked drug store. He also is the proprietor of a private infirmary, furnished with the latest appointments and facilities for operation, treatment and comfort of its inmates. Moreover, he possesses other valuable realty.

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J. J. Sykes, the first vice-president of the State Negro Business League of Alabama, and his brother Solomon, of Decatur, are the owners of two blocks of two-story brick buildings on the main street, worth not less than $40,000. In one of these buildings J. J. Sykes runs a broom factory, for the products of which he has a ready sale from among the merchants of both races in the city and surrounding country.

DELEGATION GA. NEGRO FARMERS

Special car conveying Negro Delegates from the State of Georgia to the recent Tuskegee Annual Nergo Conference.

Solomon Syke is not only the only colored undertaker in this city of 20,000 inhabitans, more or less, but before all that is mortal of a Negro has been deposited beneath the surface of the earth he (Mr. Sykes) has to be reckoned with, for he is the sole owner of the only spot in Decatur where any member of the race in that community may hope to find a final resting place, so far as this world is concerned.

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In Chattanooga, Tenn., the Negro business man is somewhat conspicuous. For instance, the largest, finest an dbest furnished drug store owned and managed by colored men in this country is probably here. The proprietors are Messrs. Allen and Wickliffe, who also have a branch store well stocked. The two stores, with their equipment and goods, are worth about $20,000.

Other business blocks owned by members of the race here are the Hale Building, 211 West Ninth street, value, $15,000 (Mr. Hale is principal of one of the city graded schools); the Henry Harrison Building, 804 Whiteside street, $12,000; J. H. Ware Building, 216 Harrison avenue, $10,000; the G. W. Turner Building, 147 Cowart street, $10,000. George Washington Franklin, the president of the Local League, and also president of the National Funeral Directors' Association, has one of the most complete funeral establishments anywhere in this country, the estimated cost of which is probably $20,000.

At Cleveland C. H. Hardwick owns on the main street a three-story pressed brick building, worth $15,000. On the ground floor is a first-class cafe, under his personal management. On the second floor are the headquarters of a social club, composed of the leading white business men of the place, where not a drop of liquor is allowed to be dispensed, according to the rules and regulations governing the members of the club.

TYLER, TEXAS.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Bishop C. H. Phillips, of Nashville, Tenn., is in the city in the interest of his school, Phillips University, the greatest Negro school in the Southwest....Miss Jessie Wells is here, attending East Texas Academy....Prof. C. S. Benson was in the city last Saturday on business....Mr. W. A. Bibbs, of Indianapolis, Ind., has sold his barber shop to a Mr. Ency Walker, of this city. Mr. Bibbs will leave about the first of April for Mexico City, his future home....Rev. Jesse Storks, of Phillips University, filled his appointment near Amego last Sunday..

MARLIN, TEXAS.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

The weather is in very favorable condition. Everything points to an early spring and a prosperous summer....The buildings of Mr. Horace Hogan have been moved from Coleman to Island street, where he will continue his line of business with a doubled service. Mr. Hogan has a State-wide reputation as a reliable, business, race man....The Woman's Social Club of Commerce street gave their second ident, Mrs. B. J. Mathis. Many topics of interest were discussed, aside from the many recitations rendered. The audience was favored with sweet vocal solos from members of the club....Prof. R. J. Willis, who may be styled the father of education in Falls county, is shaking hands with his old friends and scholars. Mr. Willis has done a great work here, and his influence has never ceased to exist. He has a host of friends, both white and black, who are proud to see him. He is meeting with abundant success as an attorney in Detroit, Mich....There is and has been a sturdy war against Satan in Marlin all the winter, and as a result of the last meetings seven souls were candidates for baptism, but, owing to physical conditions, only three persons were buried beneath the healing wave Sunday, thus making the third baptism this year. Rev. I. M. Hendon has done a great work in Marlin, and deserves even State-wide credit.. The churches are all in good trim and enjoying, regardless of religious beliefs, for the first time for years, a universal brotherly feeling.

NASHVILLE, TENN.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

That "The Clansman," the odious play written by Thomas Dixon in his efforts to make and keep the Southern whit men's blood boiling against the Negro, is on the wane in point of popularity, even in the South, is evidenced by the caustic criticism it is receiving in the columns of the daily press all over the Southland.

A very unhistrionic cast completely failed to interest theater-goers at the Vendome, here in Nashville, this week, and the Nashville American and Nashville Banner, the two leading daily newspapers of the city, helped send the play and its author where they both rightfully belong by flaying them with much zeal and dumping them over the Vendome footlights, stating that there were few who cared to witness a second presentation of this melodrama with a threadbare theme and a frazzled thrill.

It can be easily seen that Dixon's only motive in writing and dramatizing this incompatible work was to stir race prejudice, to awaken sleeping passions, and bring to life dead memories and light the fires of race hatred that burn like a white hot brand, and it is encouraging to note that the South is disapproving this play because of the evil it accomplishes in the disturbing of mental conditions toward things as they are, and that they are content to view the situation sanely and calmly, without awakening any of the old prejudices.

Using the words of the Nashville American: "Most distinctly be it said, 'The Clansman' is not worth while."

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Editor J. O. Battle, of the Nashville Globe, who died in this city on March 4, and whose body lay in state in the chapel room of funeral director A. N. Johnson until Sunday, the 7th, was buried from First Street Baptist Church on that afternoon, Rev. W. S. Ellington, the pastor, officiating.

Many tributes were offered evincing the love and admiration in which the deceased was held, and the funeral was attended by the Knights of Pythias, of which he was a member. The attendance was one of the largest ever witnessed at this beautiful edifice.

Mr. Battle was one of Nashville's most distinguished younger sons, and the entire city feels keenly the great loss sustained at his untimely demise.

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The newly established Crawford Club headquarters, in the Pythian Temple, is a very busy scene just now, and if from the seeming interest manifested and hustle displayed to one on the outside one can judge as to the outcome of the election of the next session of the Supreme Lodge, K. of P., Grand Chancellor Crawford's opponent will have anything but a walkover.

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Misses Lady Emma Louise Phillips and Hattie Elizabeth Caruthers, two of Nashville's most accomplished young ladies, gave a piano and voice recital at Freeman Chapel C. M. E. Church at Hopkinsville, Ky., last Friday evening, March 5. Miss Lucy Phillips, sister of Miss Lady Emma Louise, accompanied them, and all report a most enjoyable time.

The Hopkinsville Times says of the musicale: "An audience of refinement and culture greeted the performers, and from the frequent applause was highly pleased with the entertainment. Miss Phillips bore herself with becoming dignity, makes a fine appearance on the rostrum, and has her sweet, melodious voice under remarkable control. The execution of some high-class music by Miss Caruthers was of such an order to have been expected from a graduate of Fisk University School of Music. It is highly to the credit of Hopkinsville public that this program of exceptional character was so well appreciated."

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Prof. Charles Stewart, of Chicago, Ill., the most noted Negro newspaper correspondent of the country, was in Nashville this week, and while here made a number of addresses in his usual masterful way, the most important of which was at Meharry auditorium, Monday night, the 8th, when he delivered to a crowded house his famous lecture, "Sambo Waxed Fat and Kicked." The lecture was well received.

Prof. Stewart is en route to Columbia, S. C., where he joins the Booker T. Washington party on a tour through South Carolina, he being the press representative for the party.

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A party of leading colored citizens of Nashville attended the inauguration of President Taft, the trip being arranged by Mr. J. A. Napier, and, in spite of the inclement weather, all report a most enjoyable time.

Hon. J. C. Napier and Dr. R. F. Boyd were among the party, and both called on the chief executive while in Washington and had a very pleasant conference with him.

Mr. Napier, in speaking to the representative of THE FREEMAN of the President's address, said: "While some people are inclined to put a gloomy construction on that portion of the address that relates to our people, I find that by far the majority of the colored people are pleased with it. I feel that it portends an era of peace and good-fellowship between the colored people and the white man of the South never heretofore existing. It looks like a step toward inducing the white man of the South to more fully recognize the citizenship of the Negro."

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Mr. Charles H. Moore, National Organizer of the National Negro Business League, was in Nashville this week in the interest of his work. Mr. Moore went to Hopkinsville, Ky., from here.

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Grand Master P. F. Hill, of the U. B. F., and J. Thomas Turner, who is Grand Counsellor of the U. B. F., were in Memphis this week on legal business pertaining to the order.

BIG ROCK, TENN.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Allen Ellis, the son of Mr. and Mrs. George Ellis, happened to a misfortune which cost his life. While Allen was out hunting, he unthoughtfully had rested the muzzle of the gun on his shoe, right over his big toe. The gun went off and shot his big toe nearly off. In spite of the attention given by parents and friends and the attending physician, blood poison set in, and on the 3d of March he died, living only ten days. He was their oldest son, being about thirteen years old....Mr. L. W. Ellis and Mrs. P. D. Kingins were guests of Mrs. A. Parham the fourth Sunday....Prof. P. D. Kingins was in Dover, Tenn., on business the 26th of last month. The county superintendent, N. H. Nordon, requested Prof. Kingins to call the colored teachers of Stewart county together at Dover, Tenn., and give them instruction in the State reading course....Rev. W. J. Wade, president of the L. and O. H. C. society, is making strenuous efforts to cause the people to look for higher and nobler things....A number of people from this place accompanied Prof. P. D. Kingins on the 6th to the state-line school of Trigg county, Ky., where Prof. S. Kingins was teaching. Prof. P. D. Kingins delivered a wonderful address to the students of that school. Among the many good words, he said: "For years to come our three greatest avenues will be, first, what we think of ourselves morally, and the impression made along that particular line; secondly, our earning capacity in every walk of life; third, our practical intellectual fitness that will enable each of us to fill our particular places, and thereby be satisfied and happy." His address was timely and practical, and he often swayed the audience with his eloquence....Rev. James Merriwether preached at New Callvernon Sunday and Sunday night....Rev. Merriwether, Mrs. A. Parham, Prof. P. D. Kingins and wife took dinner with Mr. and Mrs. James Cheatham Sunday....Relatives of Mr. C. H. Weston and his mother, Mrs. Jane Mathis, are visiting them from Hopkinsville, Ky., this week.

MT. VERNON, IND.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

The Metropolitan Minstrel Company was accompanied to Maunie, Ill., by the following persons from Mt. Vernon: Charles and Guy Worlds, Elijah Alvis, Charles Cambron, Daniel Drury, LeRoy White, Ulyssus Wallers, John Taylor, Edward Lewis, Benjamin McGill, Benjamin Offet, Huston Boyd, Bellevery Vickers and Nathaniel MsCay. The people seemed to be well pleased with the performance of the company. They praised it in the highest terms....Any one wishing to by THE FREEMAN should see the agent, John M. McGill....Mrs. Carrie Polk, Mrs. Carrie Cator and Mrs. King are still on the sick list.

ORANGEBURG, S. C.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Last week Claflin University gave a musical concert. Miss Flora Wallace, Claflin's prima donna, sang, making C above middle C. Miss Lula Hunt, the basso, received much applause....The Tingley Memorial building was dedicated March 4. A large crowd was present. The orator of the day was Mr. Buckley...,W. E. Johnson has just received a number of spring and summer samples....The State College is preparing a sacred cantata, entitled "Daniel."

MERIDIAN, MISS.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

The St. James A. M. E. Church, West End, had a rally on Sunday, February 28, and raised the neat sum of over $139....Miss Mollie Moon has been quite sick the past week, at the home of Prof. E. H. Triplett, on Eleventh street and Thirty-fifth avenue....Rev. S. A. Cowan is carrying on a very successful revival at St. Paul M. E. Church. On Sunday night, March 7, Rev. Cowan preached an able sermon to a large congregation....Mr. Marshall Williams and Miss Helen Perkins were married at the home of the bride on Thursday night, March 11, at Fourteenth street and Thirty-fifth avenue. The reception was at the residence of Mrs. R. F. Hilliard,....Rev. W. H. Haskins, in the absence of the pastor, Rev. Lee, preached an able sermon at New Hope Baptist Church, on Sunday night, March 7. The church was well crowded to hear the preacher....Louis Eastland has been visiting Meridian the past week. He returned to his home at Mobile this week....Rev. J. W. Isabel, of the M. E. Church, and Rev. G. W. Washington, of the Baptist Church, are doing good work for the Lord on the South Side....Rev. J. B. Branam, of Montgomery, Ala., now pastor of El Bethel Baptist Church, will have installation services at his church, beginning March 15 and closing on the 22d. Able sermons will be preached during the week. The public is invited to come out....Pink Herndon, a well-known barber, died at the boarding house of Mrs. D. King, on March 2. He was buried by the barbers on the 5th at the City Cemetery....Arthur Sellers, a well-known hotel waiter, died at the Mattye Hersee Hospital, on March 4. He was buried at the City Cemetery on the 5th, at 3 p. m. Rev. S. A. Rivers officiated....Rev. Jones preached an able sermon at St. Paul M. E. Church on March 3 and 5, to large congregations.

GREENVILLE, TEX.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Mrs. H. C. Riley is able to be about again....Mr. Dave Berry and Mrs. Mayme Murrell, who were shot by Frank Gonaway, are recovering, and Mr. Berry is able to be out....The B. Y. P. U. has been reorganized at the New Hope Baptist Church....Mrs. Emma Baty is convalescing....The C. M. E. Church is crowded to its capacity every Friday night. Come out and help the Hon. C. C. Clinton in this grand work....THE FREEMAN will be found at T. M. Holloway's barber shop, on South Johnson street, and at James Jefferson's, on Sought Right street, if you don't see the agent.

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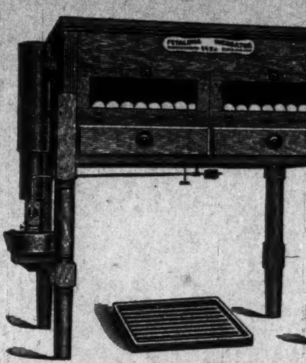

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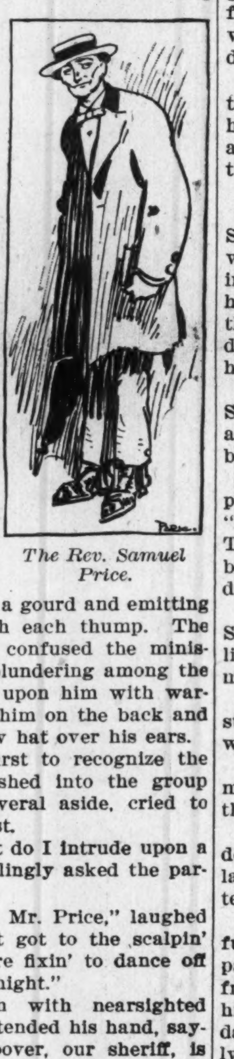
CHAPTER VIII.

THE Rev. Samuel Price was the representative of the Christian army in Pinal county, Ariz., at the time of our story. He was long and lank, narrow in the chest, with sloping shoulders. Even life on the plains could not eradicate the scholarly droop. His trousers were black, and they bagged at the knees. When riding his trousers would work up about his calves, showing a wide expanse of white socks. For comfort he wore an alpaca coat, which hung loosely about him, and for the dignity of his profession the only boiled shirt in the county, with a frayed collar and white string tie.



The Rev. Samuel Price.

The Rev. Mr. Price was liked by the settlers. He never interfered with what they considered their relaxations, and he had the saving grace of humor.

The guests were performing a scalp dance about the table when he entered the room. For a tomtom Parenthesis was beating a bucket with a gourd and emitting strange cries with each thump. The noise and shouts confused the minister. As he was blundering among the dancers they fell upon him with warwhoops, slapping him on the back and crushing his straw hat over his ears.

Slim was the first to recognize the minister. He dashed into the group and, swinging several aside, cried to the others to desist.

"Pardon me, but do I intrude upon a scalp dance?" smilingly asked the parson.

"You sure have, Mr. Price," laughed Slim. "We hain't got to the scalpin' part yet, but we're fixin' to dance off Payson's scalp tonight."

Peering at him with nearsighted eyes, Mr. Price extended his hand, saying, "Ah, Mr. Hoover, our sheriff, is it not?"

Slim wrung the parson's hand until the preacher winced. Hiding his discomfort, he slowly straightened out his fingers with a painful grin. Slim had not noticed that he had hurt the parson by the heartiness of his greeting. With a gesture he lined up the cowboys for introduction.

"Yes, sir, the boys call me Slim because I ain't." Pointing to the first one in the group, he exclaimed, "This is Parenthesis."

Mr. Price looked at the awkwardly bowing cowboy in amazement. The name was a puzzle to him. He could not grasp the application. "The editor of the Kicker," explained Slim, "called him that because of his legs bein' built that way." Mr. Price was forced to smile in spite of his efforts to be polite. The editor had grasped the most striking feature of the puncher's physical characteristics for a label.

Parenthesis beamed on the minister. "I was born on horseback," he replied.

"That fellow there with a front tooth is Show Low," began Slim, speaking like a lecturer in a freak show. "The one without a front tooth is Fresno, a California product. This here chap with the water dob hair is Sagebrush Charley. It makes him sore when you call him plain Charles."

"Charley bein' a Chink name," supplemented its owner.

Silence fell over the group, for they did not know what was the proper thing to do next. A minister was to be respected and not to be made one of them. He must take the lead in the conversation. Mr. Price was at a loss to begin. He had not recovered fully from the roughness of his welcome, so Slim took the lead again.

"I heard you preach once up to Florence," he announced, to the profound astonishment of his hearers.

"Indeed," politely responded Mr. Price, feeling the futility of making any further observation. He feared to fall into some trap. The answers made by the boys did not seem to fit particularly well with what he expected and was accustomed to. The parson could not make out whether the boys were joking with him or whether their replies were unconscious humor on their part.

"Yep; I lost an election bet an' had to go to church," answered Slim in all seriousness.

The cowboys laughed, and Mr. Price lamely replied, "Oh, yes, I see."

"It was a good show," continued Slim, doing his best to appear at ease. The frantic corrections of his companions only made him flounder about the more. "Excuse me," he apologized. "I mean that I enjoyed it."

"Do you recall the subject of my discourse," inquired Mr. Price, coming to his assistance.

"Your what course?" asked Slim.

"My sermon?" answered the parson.

"Well, I should say yes," replied the sheriff, greatly relieved to think that he was once more out of deep water. "It was about some Shorthorn that jumped the home corral to maverick around loose in the alfalfa with a bunch of wild ones."

The explanation was too much for Mr. Price. Great student of the Bible that he had been, here was one lesson which he had not studied. As told by Slim, he could not recall any text or series of texts from which he might have drawn similes fitted for his cowboy congregation, when he had one. "Really, I"— he began.

Slim, however, was not to be interrupted. If he stopped he never could begin again, he felt. Waving to the preacher to be silent, he continued his description, "When his wad was gone the bunch threw him down, an' he had to hike for the sagebrush an' feed with the hogs on husks an' sech like winter fodder."

The minister caught the word "husks." Slim was repeating his own version of the parable of the prodigal son.

"Husks? Oh, the prodigal son!" smiled Price.

"That's him," Slim sighed, with relief. "This here feed not bein' up to grade, Prod he 'lows he'd pull his freight back home, square himself with the old man an' start a new deal"—

Sagebrush was deeply interested in the story. Its charm had attracted him, as it had scholars and outcasts alike since first told 2,000 years ago on the plains of old Judea.

"Did he stand for it?" he interrupted.

"He sure did," eloquently replied Slim, who was surprised and delighted with the great impression he was making with his experience at church. "Oh, he was a game old buck, he was. Why, the minute he sighted that there prodigious son a-limpin' across the mesa he run right out an' fell on his neck"—

"An' broke it," cried Fresno, slapping Sagebrush with his hat in his delight at getting at the climax of the story before Slim reached it.

The narrator cast a glance of supreme disgust at the laughing puncher. "No," he shouted; "he hugged him. Then he called in the neighbors, barbecued a yearlin' calf an' give a barn dance, with fireworks in the evenin'."

"That's all right in books," observed Sagebrush, "but if I'd made a break like that when I was a kid my old man would 'a' fell on my neck for fair."

"That was a good story, parson. It's straight, ain't it?" asked Slim as a wave of doubt swept over him.

"It's gospel truth," answered the minister. "Do you know the moral of the story?"

"Sure," replied Slim. With a confidence born of deep self assurance, Slim launched the answer, "Don't be a fatted calf."

At first his hearers did not grasp the full force of the misapplication of the parable. Mr. Price could not refrain from laughing. The others joined with him when the humor of the reply dawned upon them. Pointing scornfully at the fat sheriff, they shouted gleefully, while Slim blushed through his tan.

"Now, if you'll kindly show me where"— began Mr. Price.

"Sure. All the liquor's in the kitchen," said Sagebrush, expanding with hospitality.

Slim pushed Sagebrush back into his chair, and Parenthesis tapped the minister on the shoulder to distract his attention.

"Thanks. I meant to ask for a place to change my clothes."

"Sure you mustn't mind Sagebrush there," apologized Parenthesis. "He's allus makin' breaks. Let me tote your war bag. Walk this way."

"Good day, gentlemen," smiled Mr. Price. "When you are up my way I trust you will honor my church with your presence"—adding after a pause—"without waiting to lose an election bet."

The entrance of a greaser to refill glasses diverted the attention of the guests until the most important function for them was performed. With "Hows!" and "Here's to the bride!" they drank the toast. Slim, as major domo of the feast, felt it incumbent upon himself to keep the others in order. Turning angrily upon Sagebrush, he said, "Why did you tell the sky pilot where the liquor was?"

"I was just tryin' to do the right thing," answered Sagebrush defiantly.

"Embarrassin' us all like that. You ought to know that parsons don't hit up the gasoline—in public," scolded Slim.

Sagebrush muttered sulkily, "I never herded with parsons none."

Parenthesis diplomatically avoided any further controversy by calling: "They're gettin' ready. Jim's got Jack in the back room tryin' to cheer him up. Boys, is everything ready for the getaway?"

"Sagebrush, did you get that rice?" demanded Slim.

"That's so—I forgot. I couldn't get no rice, though. Dawson didn't have none."

Without telling what he did get, Sagebrush ran from the room to the corral.

"I told you not to let him have anything to do with it," said Fresno, glaring at his fellow workers. Each was silent, as the accusation was general, and none had been taken into the confidence of Sagebrush and Fresno when arrangements were being made for the feast. Fresno had to blame some one, however. By this time Sagebrush had returned, carrying a bag.

"What did you get?" asked Slim.

"Corn," replied Sagebrush laconically.

"Ain't he the darndest!" Show Low expressed the disgust which the others showed.

"Why, darn it," shouted Slim, shaking his fist at the unfortunate Sagebrush, "you can't let the bride an' groom hop the home ranch without chuckin' rice at 'em. It's bad medicine."

"Ain't he disgustin'!" interrupted Fresno.

"What does rice mean, anyhow?" asked the bewildered Sagebrush.

"It means somethin' about wishin' 'em good luck, health, wealth an' prosperity an' all that sort of thing. It's a sign an' symbol of joy," rattled off Slim.

"Well, now, ain't there more joy in corn than in rice?" triumphantly asked Sagebrush.

Slim jerked open the top of the bag while Sagebrush stood by helplessly. "Well, the darned idiot!" he muttered as he peered into it. "If he ain't gone an' got it on the ear!" he continued as he pulled a big ear out.

"All the better," chuckled Sagebrush. "We'll chuck 'em joy in bunches."

"Don't you know that if you hit the bride with a club like this you'll put her plumb out?" cried Slim.

Sagebrush was not cast down, however. Always resourceful, he suggested, "We'll shell some fer the bride, but we'll hand Jack his in bunches."

The idea appealing to the punchers, each grabbed an ear of corn. Some brandished the ears like clubs; others aimed them like revolvers.

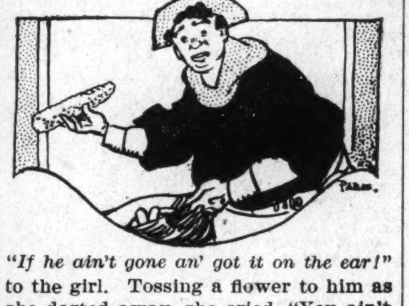
"I'll keep this one," said Slim, picking out an unusually large ear. "It's a 44. I'll get one of the greasers to shell some fer the bride."

The bride was arrayed in her wedding gown. Mrs. Allen was ready for a fresh burst of weeping. The girls had assembled in the large room in which the ceremony was to be performed. Polly acted as herald for the cowboys. Appearing in the doorway, she commanded, "Say, you folks come on an' get seated!"

Slim stood beside Polly as the boys marched past him. His general admonition was, "The first one of you Shorthorns that makes a break I'm goin' to bend a gun over your head!"

The guests grinned cheerfully as they marched past the couple.

"There's a heap of wickedness in that bunch," remarked Slim piously to the girl. Tossing a flower to him as she darted away, she cried, "You ain't none too good yourself, Slim!"



"If he ain't gone an' got it on the ear!"

"Ain't she a likely filly?" mused the lovesick sheriff. "If there's anybody that could make me good it's her. I'm all in. If ever I get the nerve all at once, darn me if I don't ask her right out!"

But Slim's courage oozed as quickly as it had risen, and, with a sigh, he followed his companions to the wedding.

CHAPTER IX.

DICK LANE on leaving the hospital at Chihuahua went straight to the fortified ledge where he had made his heroic defense. As he conjectured, the renegade McKee had got there first and found and made off with the buried treasure. So Dick manfully set to work to replace his lost fortune. It seemed too slow work to go to his mine and dig the gold he immediately required out of the ground, so he struck out for civilization to sell some of his smaller claims. In the course of a month, at the end of which his wanderings brought him to Tucson, he had sold enough of his holdings to give him $3,000 in ready cash. As he was near the Sweetwater, he resolved not to express the money to Payson, but to take it himself.

He entered the courtyard of Allen Hacienda while the wedding was taking place within. None of his friends would have recognized him. His frame was emaciated from sickness; his head was drawn back by the torture which he had suffered; he limped upon feet that had been distorted by the firebrands in McKee's hands, and his face was overgrown by an unkempt beard.

Sounds of laughter fell upon his ears as he mounted the steps. He heard Fresno shout to Slim to hurry up, as he was telling the story about a fellow that was so tanked up he could not say "sasaparella."

Dich halted. "There must be some sort of a party going on here," he thought to himself. "It won't do to take Echo too much by surprise. If Jack got my letter and told her, it's all right, but if it miscarried the shock might kill her. I'll see Jack first."

Dick had ridden first to Sweetwater ranch, but found the place deserted. The party, he mused, accounted for this. While he was planning a way to attract the attention of some one in the house and to get Payson to the garden without letting Echo know of his presence Sagebrush Charley, who had espied the stranger through the window, sauntered out on the porch to investigate. Every visitor to the territory needed looking over, especially after the trouble with Buck McKee.

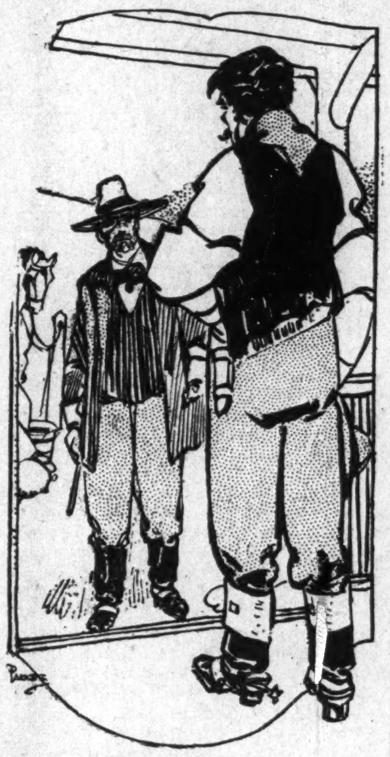
Sagebrush was bound that there should be no hitch at the wedding of his boss.

"Howdy?" greeted Lane pleasantly. "I'm looking for Jack Payson."

"That so?" answered Sagebrush. "Who may you be?"

"I'm a friend of his."

The foreman could see no danger to come from this weak, sickly man.



"Who may you be?"

"Then walk right in," he invited. "He's inside."

Sagebrush was about to re-enter the house when Dick halted him with the request, "I want to see him out here—privately."

"What's the name?" asked Sagebrush, his suspicions returning.

"Tell him an old friend from Mexico."

Sagebrush did not like the actions of the stranger and his secrecy. He was there to fight his boss' battles, if he had any. This was not in the contract, but it was a part read into the paper by Sagebrush.

(Continued Next Week,)

A Notable Call.

A call has been issued recently by prominent Negroes having in view the discussion of affairs that pertain to the race; according to the circular a full discussion of present evils and to awaken a renewed interest and activity in behalf of the colored race and to secure for it perfect equality." Speaking further the circular says:

"If Mr. Lincoln could revisit this country in the flesh," continues the call, "he would be disheartened and discouraged. He would learn that on January 1, 1909, Georgia had rounded out a new confederacy by disfranchising the negro after the manner of all the other Southern States.

'He would learn that the Supreme Court of the United States, supposedly a bulwark of American liberties, had refused every opportunity to press squarely upon this disfranchisement of millions, by laws avowedly discriminatory and openly enforced in such manner that the white man may vote and the black man be without a vote in their government; he would discover, therefore, that taxation without representation is the lot of millions of wealth producing American citizens, in whose hands rests the economic progres and welfare of an entire section of the country."

Many prominent negroes signed the call, among whom are W. B. DuBois, Ida B. Wells-Barnett, Rev. Francis J. Grimke.

Among the signers also are a number of splendid white people, of these are: Samuel Bowles of Springfield, Mass., William Lloyd Garrison of Boston, Rabbi Emil G. Hirsch, and Louis F. Post. Miss Jane Addams the settlement worker is among them.

The personel of the signers bespeaks for the significance of the proposed convention. Samuel Bowles is the well known editor of the Springfield Republican, one of the staunch publications of America. William Lloyd Garrison is the distinguished son of a distinguished father, who is known and revered for qualities in kind. The older Garrison battled long and strong for the freedom of the race when yet in "Egypt." The son seems no less interested in the final outcome of the struggle. Rabbi Hirsch the noted Jewish minister, is known throughout the nation for his philanthropic endeavors. In DuBois we have the leader of the Negro intellectualism in America, a college professor, author and authority. Mrs. Barnett-Wells is well remembered as a platform speaker of merit. She has for years been in the thick of the fight when it came to questions of the increased rights of the Negro race. Louis H. Post is the well known political economist and editor of the "Public," a publication of Chicago, Ills. These and the others are a splendid array of men and women; their names as we view it, are a sort of earnest of the work in hand.

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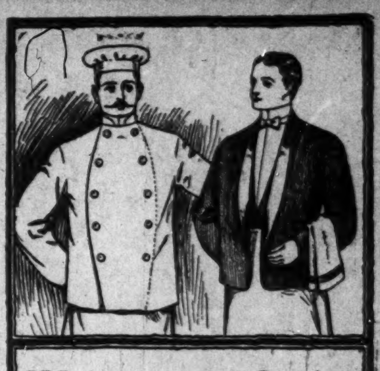

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SATURDAY, MAR. 20, 1909.

March so far isn't doing much roaring, nor is it as a lamb. The sun shines clear and bright, but the wind succeeds in getting in some upper cuts.

The Democrats are making the greater to-do over the selection of the officers of the city committee. Does it mean that they have brighter hopes?

Evansville need not feel too cast down because of the Tuskegee Conference indictment that it was one of the three cities where Negroes were most poorly housed. It can well say, there are others.

Congress is now in extra session for the purpose of tariff legislation. The country has grown since the old schedule of rates was made, hence not suitable for today.

The Philadelphia Tribune has it that "Sister Lena Mason is back to irritate our Baptist brethren." Sister Lena appears to be ubiquitous. Not long since she was in this city playing the men preachers right and left.

Ex-Vice-President Fairbanks was in a happy frame of mind when addressing the Colored Y. M. C. A. "monster meeting" last Sunday. The association men are congratulating themselves in that they had him speak.

This community will entertain the Douglass memorial proposition. Some responsible citizen appointed to look after the matter can readily get a few dollars together. Small contributions will do the work—the nickels and dimes.

Most of the Negro editors have a good word to say about ex-President Roosevelt. The soldier incident is mentioned and regretted, otherwise he is spoken of as great, and in kindred terms, which appear to be honestly spoken.

William Pannell, of Cincinnati, has been appointed an attache of President Taft's official corps, information has it. Mr. Pannell is a colored man. The same information says, "He will make good," but fails to state in just what particular capacity.

Hon. Joseph G. Cannon has been reelected Speaker of the House of Representatives for the fourth term, he being the second man in the history of the country thus honored. No one else had any show against him, a remarkable thing in view of the supposed opposition.

And Thomas Taggart is proposed by the Democrats for mayor. The mayoralty is not a new job for Mr. Taggart. He has filled that office. But his party wants a sure winner, and reasonably thinks Taggart is the man. He will make things interesting in event he runs.

After killing his wife with a poker Jordan Walker, a Negro of this city, proceeded to eat the bacon and eggs his wife had prepared for him. He was particularly cool—very collected. But the chances are he will have considerable time for nervous prostration if he isn't nipped by the rope.

A Texas mob has the reputation of being peculiarly malignant in its composition. One thinks of it with a shudder, notwithstanding the fact that mobs of other States have also burned their victims at the stake. It is to be hoped that the mob conscience will quicken wheresoever and consent to the operation of the law.

What will the harvest be? The Negro politicians are not nearly so hopeful as in years past. The Recorder of Deeds, the Register of the Treasury are among the important jobs. The present incumbents have an excellent show of succeeding themselves, since none were more active in the support of Mr. Taft.

The Presbyterian minister whose church President Taft visited last Sunday in Washington prayed personally for the President. That ain't a thing. Billy Sunday, the noted evangelist, stopped in his prayer and asked of his brethren the name of a certain town that he might pray for it. The evangelist had been mistreated by a newspaper in the town. Furthermore, the prayer was good and sarcastic.

The Freeman can not see much consistency in building a church in the memory of Dunbar, since he was not identified with church work in any form. Some recognition is due the poet. Whatever form it takes it will be of double duty in that it will be an evidence of the reward in store for aspiring Negro youth. The comforts of life while living were his, and praise and finally a monument when dead. A Dunbar hall or monument, either, it seems, would be in keeping and answer fully the purposes.

Booker T. Washington, principal of Tuskegee Normal and Industrial Institute, a Negro, born a slave, stood in the grand ballroom of the Waldorf-Astoria at the Republican Club's annual Lincoln dinner, and, in the presence of the grandson of the master who once owned him, paid a glowing tribute to the man who had set him free, the emancipator of his race. So remarkable was the tribute and so evident the deep feeling of the speaker that the audience of eight hundred white men, who but a few moments before had loudly applauded the strains of "Dixie," arose and cheered the colored man's speech.—New York Times.

Miss Daisy Walker, who is at the head of the management of the Colored Young Woman's League, was permitted to make a five minutes' speech before the white Methodist ministers last Monday in behalf of her work. Miss Walker compared her work to that of the white Y. W. C. A., owing to which she felt the necessity of assistance. She made a good impression, and it looks as if the white Methodist churches will give her cause consideration. Miss Walker in her talk stated that the institution she represented needed $1,500 for relief. From all accounts her work is worthy and it is very likely the sum will be raised.

According to report, Mr. Frederick Courteney Selous, the well-known African traveler, will acompany President Roosevelt on his trip to Africa. The following is said of him: "Mr. Selous, who is a native of London, where he was born in 1851, has spent most of the last thirty-seven years in Africa. From 1871 to 1890 he traveled continuously all over central Africa, making a living by elephant hunting and the collection of specimens of natural history. In 1890 he took service with the British South Africa Company, and acted as guide to the pioneer expedition to Mashonaland. He returned to England in December, 1892, but went back the folloming year in order to take part in the first Matabele war. He has published several works relating to his experiences."

Rev. John Harmon, D. D., has gotten out a little pamphlet of "charges and specifications" against his former bishop, Charles Spencer Smith. He arraigns his superior officer as follows:

1. A policy that means destruction to the A. M. E. Church in Georgia.
2. Oppression and tyranny in office.
3. Maladministration.
4. Extortion and graft.

These charges are discussed at length, but with what effect remains to be seen. Bishop Smith is a big proposition and heretofore has been able to protect himself. It appears that Dr. Harmon is a big gun himself, and the quarrel bids fair to be a case of Greek meeting Greek. Dr. Harmon was left out at the recent reduction of ministers of Bishop Smith's district. He is not inclined to staying out.

Could Abraham Lincoln have arisen from his ashes and looked on the various scenes enacted, could he have read the fulsome praise of press, pulpit, forum, could he have read the sorrow and love of the human heart, all in his behalf within the recent days in this country, his country, it would have in large part paid him for what he suffered through the lack of sympathy, love, the spiritual aliment of mankind.

In a spot in itself so insignificant as to defy description, location, formerly Hardin, now some other county, three miles from Hodgeville, in Kentucky, in a place scarcely more than a stable, and mayhaps in no better suroundings than a manger, one hundred years ago, was born the Saviour of our nation. Striking similitude of the Christ child, the great and wise also wend their way there with gifts, although at this late day; not of frankincense, myrrh and such like, but of enduring marble, a mausoleum or memary hall, the nation's best expression of so great service.

Senator Frazier, of Tennessee, is right in the class with Senator Tillman and ex-Governor Vardaman as it pertains to their views on the Negro question. Most men hold their attitude as rather smallish. Most men know that if Negroes are denied certain things they are the only people so denied; they also know that as far as they know that the denial is contrary to the laws of the land and those of God, wherein we are taught that He is no respecter of persons. Can't exactly see where the peculiar Tillmanic notion comes from. It appears an anachronism, in that men get up in the "temple of justice"—and we may consider the legislative hall as such—and openly, notoriously, above board, assail a part of the citizens, and merely because they are suspected of having designs on the utmost civil liberty. Oh, these degenerate days! What are the great and powerful for if not to lift up, not adding to the burdens of men? Sorry, Senator, to see you so negligent of the duties of the great office.

What will happen to Crum, Collector at Charleston, S. C., is by no means certain. His nomination for the job for the next four years is not assured by confirmation by the Senate this session. Evidently an effort is being made to hold the matter up until the next session of Congress with the view of trying out the next President. Senator Gary manifested himself as decidedly opposed to placing colored men in important official positions where they come in contact in the most part with white people.

The trouble is in, this case, and in others of the kind, that the object is to view the colored people either as aliens or "undesirable" citizens. The thing of inferiority is insisted on when the colored people are hoping to be appreciated as citizens. Senators Tillman, Frazier and Gary are bent on seeing the races as far apart as possible, insisting that it is the proper thing. It may be from the standpoint of the preservation of one race as against another, but it does not mean the best for the country. Much ado ought not be made over Negro office holders in this day.

HON. CHARLES W. FAIRBANKS AT THE COLORED Y. M. C. A.

The Colored Y. M. C. A. of this city had the pleasure of listening to an address by Charles W. Fairbanks, former Vice-President of the United States. Mr. Fairbanks was in a rather happy mood, delivering one of the best speeches that has been made at the "monster meetings" that have been held by the organization. He began his remarks by referring to the fact that he came from old abolition stock; he was taught from his youth up that the colored people were endowed with all the natural rights with which any people were endowed. He made special reference to Mr. George L. Knox, who introduced him, saying that he was an example of what could be done by a man although born a slave.

Mr. Fairbanks referred to the work done by the Colored Y. M. C. A., called it a splendid work and congratulated the organization because of it. He exhorted the members to cherish their institution, to contribute liberally to its support, that its efficiency may increase, and also to support the charities, saying:

"It inculcates a spirit of thrift among the young colored men of the community; it exerts a wholesome moral influence throughout the community. Without morality there can be no great and lasting advance."

And again:

"Be industrious in whatever is honorable to make your way in the world. Teach sobriety and temperance. Build up the home, for that is the strength of the republic in the final analysis. Educate your children —let education be your watchword. Educate in many directions—educate the brain and then the hand, for the brain and hand are the twins that will build u ptowns, erect buildings and beautify the universe.

"Be useful and live not alone for yourself. The most miserable picture is that of the miser who gathers in gold, then goes to some dark retreat to feast his eyes upon it, giving nothing for the benefit of his fellowman."

Mr. Fairbanks said he had heard of plans discussed to colonize the Negro in Liberia; he thought the notion silly —senseless. He insisted that the colored people were born under the American flag. Under the American flag "they love their country," said he. "and they will leave it no sooner than his white American brother."

Other references were made to the race which showed that the ex-Vice-President was acquainted with the facts and conditions. Of these he took a most hopeful view, making it plain that the colored people had every reason to feel encouraged.

CRUM INCIDENT CLOSED.

The Crum incident is also closed. On the recommendation of Postmaster-General Hitchcock and Postmaster Harris, of Charleston, President Taft has decided to appoint E. W. Rurant for the Collectorship of Customs at Charleston, S. C.

Now perhaps the ferment will subside at least in that community, regarding Negro officeholders. The right to hold office by any citizen has been established. If the specific act is struck down now and then according as prejudice exists the right is in no sense invalidated. This may be held an easy way to defeat ourselves, by ourselves, of the things due. But not so since a healthy growth is actually prohibited in the forcing process that is sometimes advocated. Some things can be forced; some plants can be forced to good effects; others to ill effects.

Those who believe in acting up strenuously to every right and privilege hold it that otherwise a loss will be irreparable. Viewing it in the light of the assertion that it is little by little that the liberties of the people are stolen from them, really there is reason to believe that those thinking that way are very far wrong. In some cases the theory will hold without doubt. But we rather think that it is safer to view it in this special case that opposition, intense racial opposition, simply breeds more. The human race is not a machine to be made perfect by tampering with it. It is better often to allow the softening influences of time to operate, and especially since we know so well what makes for the opposition.

It may be urged that time can not make fitter conditions; no, not alone. It must have the influence of individuals contributing in the interest of the point to be gained. Time will be the greater element. And it must be that way. Peace or the best possible condition will not come through war. The wisest did not always see it that way. The wayfaring man now sees that it is folly to attempt to win over the solid objection of any considerable community.

IN THE INTEREST OF LIBERIA.

It now begins to look as if the recent visit of the committee of Negroes from the republic of Liberia will not be in vain. Ex-President Roosevelt was very much in favor of inquiring into the affairs of that country, going so far as to indicate a willingness to be one of a commission designated for the purpose. President Taft, according to information, entertains similar views to those of Mr. Roosevelt. He thinks that something should be done for the Negroes of Liberia.

In accord with the views of President Taft and ex-President Roosevelt, the matter of inquiring into the condition of the Negro republic will be presented to Congress before a great while. Already the members of the commission have been suggested, who are: Robert C. Ogden, of New York; Jacob Hollander, of Baltimore, and Dr. Booker T. Washington. The commission will investigate conditions and report the same, with recommendations for specific action on part of the United States.

The finale of the matter is by no means assured, since it must meet the approval of Congress. It stands to reason that Congress will make the appropriation of $20,000, the sum recommended for covering the expense of the commission. Beyond the weighty influence is the history of the republic—its relation to our own country—that of postage, in the sense of responsibility for existence. The Liberians in all their history have ever regarded the United States as their bulwark of defense against disaster. Our country has always had for them a kindly regard, but it has never extended them public aid, if we are not mistaken. Public sentiment, so far as noted up until this time is not opposed to what has been proposed in Liberia's behalf, which means bright prospects for the relief of that country from its greater troubles.

DALLAS, TEX.

Special to The Freeman.

Mrs. Dr. Taylor, of Waco, who has been here several weeks as the honored guest of Mrs. Ed Avery, on Clark street, has gone to Marlin for her health....Little D. F. Powell, the adopted son of Mr. and Mrs. Powell, 111 Emma street, celebrated his first anniversary Tuesday night. There were quite a number of his little friends, and older persons who are the friends of Mr. and Mrs. Powell, present, to pay their respects to the youngster; also many useful and costly presents were received.... Ben Everrett is here from Meharry Medical College, at Nashville, Tenn., where he has been attending this session, having been called to be at the bedside of his sick wife, who is now on the road to recovery. ....Uniform Company No. 15, of the Order of K. of P., will give their first entertainment next Monday night, March 22, from 8 to 11:30, for the new uniform fund, at the residence of Capt. J. G. Griffin, 596 Cochran street. All invited.... W. H. Page is sitting as one of the jurors in the District Criminal Court in Dallas county....The legislators of Texas have put a crimp into the race track betting of the State, and are looking very hard at all kinds of Sunday sports, which include baseball....The members of the Law and Order League feel jolly over the future prospects of their crowning success in gaining for the Negroes here many important places for the race that have never been filled heretofore by them. A few have brought about these successes by sticking together and contending for things....Grand Secretary Riddle, of Denison, was here looking after some Odd Fellow business in connection with his department, last week....Capt. Johnnie Jones met with a very painful accident last Tuesday, getting his left foot very badly scalded, which has kept him indoors for several days....The lowering of the central track on Central avenue has caused much worry to pedestrians in that part of the city, but will be all right later on and better for all....Haywood Pollard, Lon Grayhorn and Percival Everrett were taken into Oriental Company No. 15, last Wednesday night, and will be seen in uniforms at the annual sermon, on the 28th. ....The general committee of all the various lodges of K. of P. in the city has chosen the new Evening Chapel C. M. E. Church, corner of Juliett and Boll streets, as the place for the annual anniversary sermon and exercises, to be held on Sunday, March 28. Seats free to all. The public are cordially invited. Rev. Dr. G. J. Jackson, pastor, will speak on Pythianism, and various members of the order will present subjects on the order....Mr. and Mrs. Walter Scott entertained Wednesday night, at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. P. A. Beachem, corner Gilliott and Boll street. All present voted that Mrs. Scott had royally entertained them. ....The Lasso Club has recently installed a billiard and pool table and a gymnasium outfit. On Friday night the members chartered a special car for Sherman, where they were the guests of the Elks' Club of that city.

SHERMAN, TEX.

Special to The Freeman.

Copies of The Freeman for sale at Mrs. G. W. Hume's cafe, Messrs. Wm. Many and Jas. Carson's tonsorial parlors.... Rev. Dr. D. J. Crawford and members of Harmony Baptist Church are carrying on a series of meetings....The elegant and handsome banquet and reception tendered the ladies and gentlemen of the Lasso Club of Dallas, Tex., by the members of Defiance Lodge 138 (Elks), last Friday night, the 12th inst., in their beautiful hall, 116 Crockett street, west side of the Square, was the grandest social event that has ever been given here. The hall was beautifully decorated in smilax, ferns, moss and Elk colors, white and purple, with beautiful electric light globes hung in moss. Beautiful and appropriate mottoes near the punch bowl stand were well arranged. The punch bowl was presided over by the Souvenir Girls, Misses Allie Mae Lewis, Eva and Clarice Dillingham. At the main entrance to the parlor each guest was met by the Souvenir Girls and presented with sweet peas and ferns. The Elks Orchestra, better known as the famous Royal Orchestra, discoursed sweet music throughout the occasion, and dancing to the sweet strains of the music was much enjoyed. The menu consisted of cream, assorted cakes, fruit salad with lettuce leaves, cheese straw, cream crystals in timble cases, coffee, mint chips. Those present of the Lasso Club were: Messrs. Geo. Lemmon, president; Robert De Journette, secretary; Chas. Brackney, manager; Mr. and Mrs. R. Williams, Mesdames M. M. Polk, J. A. Scott, Anna Truss, Misses L. A. Shaw, Anna Haynes, Lillie Armon, Prof. J. W. Towns, Messrs. W. E. Ewing, J. W. Ashley, D. P. Lewis, S. B. Smith, Robt. Franklin, Geo. Purdy, C. W. Neal, W. G. Howard, R. Freeman, I. Reece, Geo. A. White. Those present from Fort Worth were Mrs. Will Flournoy and Miss Eugenia Goodson. Those present from Denison were Prof. and Mrs. F. M. Johnson, Mrs. A. D. Riddle, Misses A. E. Hughes, A. Garland, C. V. B. Coleman, L. A. Poole, Messrs. H. M. Gilliean, Geo. Harris, Leslie Johnson. The various committees of the Elks consisted of: Invitation and program, Prof. A. J. Sykes, James A. Crenshaw; marshal, M. Royal; arrangement, M. Royal, R. W. Thomas, Alf Rhyne, Jesse Hunt, Jas. R. Patterson, O. S. Bruce; reception, Misses Emma Crenshaw, C. W. Johnson, Zelma Dorchester, Mrs. Emma Mitchell, Mrs. Mary Sullivan, Mrs. Willie Overby, Messrs. A. J. Sykes, J. D. Biggs, Geo. Overby, Jas. Mitchell, Jr., R. W. Thomas, F. Sullivan; invitations, W. H. Crain, Henry Gray, Jno. H. Crain, H. and C. King, Rol Chisholm; Souvenir Girls, Misses Eva and Clarice Dillingham and Allie Mae Lewis; Messrs. J. D. Biggs, exalted ruler; A. Whidby, secretary; M. Royal, master of social session.

JACKSONVILLE, ILL.

Mrs. Ollie Williams, who is ill at the Passarant Hospital, and Mrs. Anderson Carter are some better at this writing.... Wade Hamilton and Mrs. Geneva Brown continue very ill....Dora Byrd, district grand master of Grand United Order of Odd Fellows, and Mrs. Florence Titis, member of the board of control, were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Austin Carter, 414 East Superior avenue. Mr. Carter is the superior of district No. 12. They were down to Jacksonville on business for the Odd Fellows' Home. They returned to their homes in Chicago recently....Mr. Walker, of Hadley, Ill., who was ill at Passarant Hospital, has been taken to his home, and is no better....Arthur, the two-months-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Brown, died recently. Interment was in East Cemetery....Mrs. M. J. Davis and Mrs. John Haithman have returned home, after a pleasant visit in Washington, D. C., with Mrs. Davis's brother. They also attended President Taft's inauguration....Miss Minnie Carter, of Henry street, was on the sick list last week....Mr. Willis, of Chicago, was in the city recently, visiting friends. He returned with his daughter Bertha, who will have an operation performed. Her friends hope for her a successful operation....Miss Mary Carter, of Rockford, Ill., was the guest recently of Mrs. Anderson Carter....William Robinson, of Springfield, Ill., was visiting friends in the city recently....Wesley Reed is now traveling through the South....Mrs. Katie B. House is able to be about, after a serious illness....Mrs. Annie Jordan is now residing on Sharp street....Lucile Stewart is on the sick list this week....The 15-cent supper given March 9, at the Bethel A. M. E. Church, was largely attended and a good success.

PITTSBURG, PA.

Special to The Freeman.

Mr. Jackson Carter died March 13th at his late residence 27 Wanderless street. His remains were sent to his former home, Charleston, W. Va. He leaves a wife and four sons....P. Black who has a bootblack stand on Wylie avenue would do a nice business if he would keep quiet. Nuf sed... Charles Long (known as Pap Long), and an old veteran of the Civil War, died March 13th. He was one of the oldest members of the G. A. R. in the city....Mrs. W. H. Thompson of 2635 Wylie aveune, who has been very sick for some time, is slowly improving....Mr. and Mrs. McWilliam are improving after a long illness....Ernest T. Syphox of Philadelphia, has taken charge of the Melford pharmacy at 2639 Wylie avenue. ....Mr. Elise Graves, the champion whistler, has been home for some time sick, has started on his tour again....J. W. Jones the manager of Jones & Glenn Baseball club has resigned and hereafter will attend to the business of Jones & Moyer at 2640....Mrs. Lula M. Jackson, financial secretary of the National Baptist Convention of Louisville, Ky., is stopping with Mr. Dan Baker, her brother. Mrs. Jackson is lecturing in the interest of the National Training School for Women and Girls of Washington, D. C....The annual concerts given by the Coleridge-Taylor Orchestra during the past three seasons have been so successful, both musically and socially, that colored society circles always look forward to them with pleasurable anticipation. The date of this season is fixed for March 30th. ....J. W. Anderson, Sr., of 1841 Cliff street, has sent out invitations for the marriage of his daughter, Miss Susie Talioferro, to John Lewis Day, March 25th, at the residence at 8 p. m....Israel S. Lee, Jr., a young Afro-American student in the academic department of the high school on Bedford avenue, was the winner of a debate held at the school. Subject: "Resolved, That Compulsory Arbitration Is Necessary for the Welfare of the State." Lee is 17 years old and stands number 2 in a class of forty students, of which he is the only member of our race....Mrs. B. G. Collier of Philadelphia, after spending three weeks in our city has returned home. While here she was the guest of honor at several luncheons and theater parties....Mrs. Daniel Baker of 19 Crawford street, who has been sick for some time, is now able to be around the house.... Mr. Joe Coleman of Sharon, Pa., is stopping in our city. He expects to move his family here soon....Mrs. Arthur Robinson, who has been visiting her cousin in Cleveland, and who has been on the sick list for some time, returned home, via Yuongstown, Tuesday morning.

LOGANSPORT, IND.

Special to The Freeman.

Mark Sharp, died Sunday and was buried Mrs. Katherine Rolston of South Bend, was in the city for a few hours last Wednesday, she having been to Cincinnati to attend the funeral of her sister....Mrs. Nathan McGowan of Indianapolis, and Miss Evaline Artist of Franklin, Ind., sister of Mrs. Effie Harris, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. S. L. Harris....Club No. 1, Mrs. Maggie Books, captain, gave a St. Patrick's fish fry at the A. M. E. church Wednesday. Besides the fish fry, amusements were indulged in. They were very successful.... Wednesday evening, March 24, Club No. 2, with Mr. G. C. King, captain, will give a Rag and Rubber social at the A. M. E. church. Club No. 2 intends to make this one of the swellest affairs of the season in the social line and as this will be the last social given in the church before the remodeling begins....The members of the A. M. E. church are enthusiastically working to repair the church. The building committee consisting of A. J. Allen, Norris Lewis, G. C. King, Henry Harris, C. S. Jones and G. W. Allen are negotiating with contractors to commence work at once.... Mr. and Mrs. John Taylor entertained at dinner Sunday Rev. M. Lewis, P. E., Rev. and Mrs. J. L. Craven....The quarterly meeting Sunday was one of the best the A. M. E. church has enjoyed for some time. The attendance was good at each service. Rev. M. W. Sparks of Lafayette preached at 3 o'clock. His sermon was excellent and was enjoyed by all present. Rev. M. Lewis was present all day and preached a very able sermon in the evening.

ST. PAUL, MINN.

Special to The Freeman.

W. T. Francis has gone to Chicago and Peoria, Ill. Mr. Francis is employed in the legal department of the Northern Pacific Railway and is frequently called outside of the city in the interests of the company.... Calvin C. Mitchel died in Duluth, Minn., and his funeral was held from St. James A. M. E. church on last Sunday afternoon....J. Q. Adams, editor of The Appeal has been on the sick list....Mrs. S. C. Tobie is quite ill at her home on St. Anthony avenue.... Miss Mae Ricks, who is teaching music at Wiley University, Marshall, Texas, writes in glowing terms of the work of that school which contains about 600 Afro-American boys and girls....Rev. Davis of Zion A. M. E. church left this week for Chicago, Ill. Rev. Davis is an earnest Christian gentleman, but the Zion A. M. E.'s are small in number in this city and are not able to support a pastor....The B. Y. P. U. Society of Pilgrim Baptist church gave a mock inaugural last Thursday night....The Crispus Attucks Old Folk Home and Orphanage have filed their articles of incorporation with the state, with Mrs. Fannie King, Mrs. Inez Pope, Mr. E. I. Robinson and Rev. J. W. King as incorporators...Miss Pearl Harrison, who so ably insisted that the colored children should take part in the Central High school exercises in honor of Lincoln's birthday, is a rising young journalist and takes pride in speaking of her race....The ladies of St. Peter's Clavers Catholic church will give a minstrel at a very early date.

SEKITON, O.

Mrs. Edith Thomas, of Hillside avenue, has a girl two weeks old....Mrs. J. B. Bess, of Hillside avenue, was called to the city recently on account of the illness of her relatives....N. C. Hawkins, representative of The Freeman, is at work preparing an industrial and historical report of the city....S. H. Pillow has moved into his new building, and is conducting a first-class grocery and meat market.... Mrs. M. J. Brannon is able to be out again, and attended church Sunday.... William Anderson, deputy marshal, who has been sick, is able to resume his duty again....Mr. and Mrs. Clinton Gaines, who were recently married, have moved into their new home in the southwestern part of the city....W. M. Brannon, deputy marshal, has purchased a new uniform....Charlie Banks, who has been suffering with the grip, is able to be at work again....The members of the Ladies' Home and Foreign Mission Society are rehearsing for a concert to be given soon. ....J. W. Gaines, secretary of the John Brown Club, has purchased a beautiful diamond ring, valued at $100....Rev. Saunders, of the Second Baptist Church, preached to a large congregation Sunday evening, a very instructive and interesting sermon, his subject being, "Who Is on the Lord's Side," Exodus xxii:26....Rev. Moore, of Cincinnati, preached at the Baptist Church of Delhi, Sunday morning and evening....Mrs. Georgia Ousley, president of the B. Y. P. U., is suffering from a slight attack of pneumonia....Mrs. Jennie Crutcher will open a night school for the benefit of the colored people of this village. We urge all to assist and encourage the movement....R. Neal attended services at the Delhi Baptist Church Sunday morning.

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MINEOLA, TEX.

On last Saturday, the 13th, it was a rainy day here, and there were not many people in the city....The family of Bob Brown are in with the smallpox, and have been for some time....Calvin Cooper has moved to the city and is working for Mrs. Shamberger....Editor O. P. Piles has plenty of first-class lots for sale, and the colored people are buying very fast.... The whites have good hotels here and employ colored porters, but they all know their business....Cotton seed is selling at 50 cents a bushel....Mrs. Mollie Washington has returned home from Fort Worth, where she lost her grandson last week....The family of R. M. Dowel has been sick, but is now better....Abe Templeton, of Greenville, is in the city, and his friends were glad to see him once more. ....The Second Baptist Church is in good shape here.

PARIS, KY.

Special to The Freeman.

The Baptist Meeting closed with about twenty-two additions to the church....Chas. Bishop's son died. The funeral was held from the M. E. church....Mrs. Carrie Joe Love will build a cottage in the new addition soon....Mrs. Ida Gains has built a beautiful house on Lilisen avenue and will occupy it soon....Mrs. Mary Ann Judy will rebuild her house which was partially destroyed by fire....Henry Mullen of Cincinnati, Ohio, was visiting Steven Moors and his aunt Sunday....T. B. L. Davis of Indianapolis is in Paris mingling with old friends....Mrs. J. C. Gatewood is in Lexington for a few days

FLINT, MICH.

Special to The Freeman.

Madam Francis E. Preston of Detroit, under the direction of the W. C. T. U., was here Sunday, the 14th, and spoke to the children of the Sunday school in the afternoon and in the evening gave a rousing talk on local option to a full house which was well pleased. Several solos were rendered and the choir had special music. Mrs. Wm. Collins of Otto Lake, was here to assist in the singing. Mrs. J. O. Linney is entertaining Mrs. Preston while in the city....At a called meeting at the A. M. E. church March 10th, the members decided on the plans for a new church and the following building committee was elected to work with the trustees: Mr. George Artis, Chas. Handy, Thomas Kelley, Jerome Wright and Joe Port. The church is awakening to the call and has put on a dress of activity.... Mrs. S. Grinage entertained at dinner in honor of Madam Preston and Mrs. Wm. Collins Monday, the 15th. Covers were laid for ten....Mrs. Katie Linney received word that her aunt, Mrs. Sarah Washington of Connersville, Ind., was dead. She was nearly 90 years of age....The North Side and Central W. C. T. U. will give a coffee at the home of Mrs. E. C. Davis of West Ninth in honor of Madam Preston, Monday afternoon. Our ladies were specially invited at which time they hope to organize a W. C. T. U. among the colored ladies.... The kidnapping of little Harold Moon still remains a mystery....The social given by the Young Peoples' Willing Workers society at the home of Mrs. S. Lawrence was a success socially and financially. The mock trial was very interesting and the solos and music were good....There will be a musical and literary entertainment at the A. M. E. church the 17th....Rev. and Mrs. Beck entertained Madam Preston of Detroit, Mrs. Wm. Collins of Otto Lake, and Mrs. J. O. Linney at tea Sunday evening....Those wishing to renew their subscription to the Freeman by the first of April, as agreed, please see the agent.

URBANA, OHIO.

Miss Maggie Adams is home from Wilberforce on account of her sister's illness... The Junior Missionary Society will meet at the home of Mrs. Vivian Hill in South Kenton....The Ladies' Aid Society celebrated St. Patrick's Day Monday evening at the home of Mrs. Minnie Jackson....Mrs. Florence Jennings is improving....Mrs. Sherman Cleveland was entertained at the home of Mrs. Louie Hopkins by the Whist Club Thursday evening....Miss May Adams is home on account of the illness of her sister, Miss Maggie Adams....Mrs. Sherman Cleveland was given a surprise party by her friends at her home in South Main street Tuesday evening....Mrs. Malvina Waugh is able to be out of doors.

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THE STAGE

Grant Watkins is filling a week's engagement at the Keith vaudeville house at Hamilton, Ohio.

Cole and Johnson have been doing Rhode Island. The Providence papers think well of the show.

Dixon and White write that they are leaving them screaming every night at the Gem Theater, Chicago.

Henry Cook, "Big Chief" of the Pekin, at Louisville, Ky., is in the city, en route to Seattle, Wash. Regards to all friends. Address care of The Freeman.

John W. F. Woods, buck and wing danger, female impersonator and ventriloquist, is meeting with much success with the Plant Juice Vaudeville Company.

Brown and Hodges, Indian singing cartoonists, are playing to appreciative audiences in the Golden West. While at Denver Miss Hodges was highly entertained by her many friends.

Miss Bertie Kennedy, the sweet singer, formerly of Kansas City, Mo., now of St. Paul, Minn., is thinking of joining one of the leading colored theatrical companies, as she is very much in demand.

The Smart Set opened in St. Paul Sunday, March 7, and continues to show to crowded houses. It is quite a treat to the theater-goers, as it is the first colored show that has been here for two seasons. The company has made a few changes since they were last seen here.

H. D. Collins, formerly with Voelckel and Nolan, Black Patti Troubadours and Dixie Minstrels, and at present manager of E. J. Carpenter's "At Cripple Creek" Company, has completed arrangements for a minstrel show next season, headed by two well-known colored comedians.

J. E. Morton has closed a successful season with W. A. Mahara's Minstrels, in which he was playing cornet in band and orchestra, under G. W. Ayers. He sends regards to R. Bradshaw, Tim Owsley, Bill Young and James Osburn. He will return in April for the summer show. Address 2232 Eddy street, Louisville, Ky.

Mrs. Vida Devine has just finished one week at the Grand Theater, and was on the bill one week at the Pekin, in Chicago, and is now making good on the end in a lady minstrel first part, staged by Miss Maggie Crawford, singing with much success "Take Plenty of Shoes" and "Strong for You." Next week she will be at the Majestic Theater. Sends regards to all friends.

Taylor's Kentucky Troubadours played Hoboken, N. J., week of March 8. This week, March 15, they are playing the Vanity Fair, with the following artists: Clemo Harris, acrobatic artist; Charles Taylor, eccentric comedian; Dave Brinkley, blackface comedian; Margaret Scott, Daisy Garrett, Anita Bush, Auon Robinson, Daisy White, Mamie Ferber, Adela Robinson and Griffith B. Wilson.

The "Congo King" Company is in its fourth week. We are doing a nice business and have a pleasing aggregation in the following personnel: W. A. Thomas, W. L. Rector, Harry Everett, F. O. Henderson, Misses Annis Johnson, Julia Johnson and Winona Crigler. We are playing the "Congo King," in three acts. Our music is under the direction of Mr. W. A. Hall, violinist, accompanied by Miss Albert Scott, pianist. We go into Iowa next week.

THOMAS THOMPSON is still at Fort Leavenworth, Kan. Mr. Thompson framed up a minstrels of G Troop, Ninth U. S. Cowboys, and it was a grand success, headed by Earnest Jackson and Thompson as principal end-men, assisted by fourteen others, good singers and dancers. General Funston, commander-in-chief of the post, was present, and said the Ninth Cavalry boys are not only good fighters, but good showmen also. Music by the G Troop, Ninth Cavalry, orchestra. Regards to all.

G. W. Ayers, band and orchestra leader for W. A. Mahara's Minstrels, closed his engagement for this season at Hot Springs, Ark., and has returned to his home at 514 Eleventh street, Louisville, Ky., and will be there until about the 6th of April. Then he will go back to Hot Springs to go out with the summer show. He sends regards to R. Bradshaw, Tim Owsley, Billy Young, Jimmie Osburn and all inquiring friends. Home address, 514 Eleventh street, Louisville, Ky.

F. Barrasso, proprietor of the Amusement Theater, Memphis, Tenn., writes: "Eugene Clark leaves us on the 20th, as he has been for five years contracted with Howe's Great London Show, and they are yet holding a contract on him for this season. Mr. Clark has been very faithful and successful. He receives much credit as a producer and also stage manager, attending strictly to business ever since the theater has been open. He has been putting on acts that have packed the house to the door ever since the 19th of January, and he has made many warm friends during his stay in Memphis. We regret his leaving, as his work has proved satisfactory in every respect, and we wish Mr. Clark much success."

EXCHANGE GARDEN THEATER, JACKSONVILLE, FLA.

Everybody is well and the show going on nicely, Richmond V. Cross, better known as "Poor Boy," making a great hit singing "I Used to Be Afraid to Go Home in the Dark, but Now I Am Afraid to Go Home at All." J. W. Hamilton is with us again, after touring the United States for three years. Chink Floyd and Buddie Glenn, also his nephew, Willie Glenn, are with us. Dan Robinson, better known as "Ticklish Dan," is still at the Exchange Garden. Misses Gussie Mines, Alice Ramsey, Beula Henderson, Girtie Williams, Mabel Anderson, Virgie De Ore, Mamie Payne and Mittie Bradford all send regards to inquiring friends. Prof. J. M. Robinson is still with us, but he is not well.

CULLIGAN'S NASHVILLE STUDENTS.

We have been playing the Imperial valley section of California for a week, before doubling back for the coast again. Ruby Smith, altoist and trap drummer, joined at Thermal, Cal. Littleton McDuff sends regards to all. Fulton and Rose Mitchell are still with the company. They are getting theirs nightly, closing with "Big Brown Booloo Eyes." Send regards to Eugene Clark, John Goodloe and wife. Herbert La She and Jessie Ogdent have something up their sleeve for the profession. Keep your eyes open. Rance Smith sends regards to LeRoy Bland and friends. Ed L. Anderson also sends regards. Albert Hutt is still rolling his hoops and has bought an old rotary valve cornet. Look out, Jeff Smith. Walter Lancaster is still with us as a comedian.

BLACK PATTI TROUBADOURS.

In the performance of the Black Patti Troubadours at the Orpheum, last night, Bisbee was treated to one of the best shows of the season. It would be improper to designate it as a play, although a thin thread of plot binds together the various specialty turns. In parts it is as funny as anything ever seen here. This is especially true of Tim Owsley in the part of Silas Green, the rustic angel for a stranded troupe. His work, while in spots a trifle strained, is as good as any black-faced artist ever seen in this city. Sissieretta Jones, "The Black Patti," was in fine voice, and while not appearing as often as would have pleased the crowd, was greeted by her audience with enthusiasm each time she walked on the stage, and was accorded several encores. Sarah Greene an dBilly Young both played their parts capably. The performance is one well worth seeing a second time, if for nothing else than to get a hearty laugh at Tim Owsley and to hear the nightingale of the colored race. The performance will be repeated to-night. By request "Black Patti" will sing "Home, Sweet Home," to-night, the immortal Adelina Patti's favorite song.—Bisbee (Ariz.) Daily Review.

PEKIN THEATER, OMAHA, NEB.

The theater is under the direction of Crutchfield and Bloomfield and assisted by profesionals and give a two-hour show which gives entire satisfaction. Every number was good. They also used Prof. Joe Patton's Brass Band, assisted by Nelson L. Kincaid, claironet; Harry Hull, tuba; Prof. Cross, baritone; Louis Robinson, alto; Frank Terry, trombone; Wm. Thomas, flute; Brooks, trombone; Shackford, cornet. The show consisted of singing, dancing, comedy, slack wire artist, gun juggling. Leavy Bloomfield was the favorite of oslists, and Happy Joe Galloway imperosnating. George Walkers and S. H. Dudley were great. His drum major turn is excellent. Grand ball after the show, music furnished by the band. The managers of the theater gave the receipts to Dick Williams, as he is helpless now with consumption and is stopping at 1124 Capital avenue, Omaha, Neb.

LINCOLN THEATER, KNOXVILLE, TENN.

"Little Johnny Jones" at the new Bijou, Lew Dockstader's Minstrels at Staub's Theater, and the rain doing a continuous performance, was the opposition last week. But it did not deter the people from coming to the Lincoln. Our patrons are loyal, and as long as we continue to "deliver the goods" they are with us. At Thursday's matinee the company repeated the "Blackville Strollers," introducing Sam Gardner in the leading comedy role of Silas Green. Mr. Gardner is a versatile performer of more than ordinary merit, and enacted the role with credit. This week the stock company will produce Mr. Whitney's latest musical comedy, "The Tenderfoot," with special music by Homer Tutt and Trevor L. Corwell.

"A RABBIT'S FOOT" COMPANY.

They are no win winter quarters at Jacksonville, Fla. This company closed a successful season at Jacksonville, Fla. on Feb. 19, and Mr. Pat Chappelle is now making arrangements for the coming season.

Mr. and Mrs. Pat Chappelle are now located at 818 French street, Wilmington, Del., and are personally looking after their palace sleeping car which is being built by the Pullman Company in Wilmington, as a Rabbits Foot Company will carry two cars this season and will have the finest sleeping car that will be used by any show company. As everything will be new with this company this season and the company will be the strongest of its kind, as there will be quite a number of new faces and an extra strong band and orchestra, new tent, seats, new street parade, in fact, everything will make a fine appearance.

All who intend being with this company had better write Mr. Pat Chappelle at his Jacksonville address, as he is booking people every day.

WEST BADEN OPERA HOUSE.

"East Lynne," which will be the attraction at the West Baden Opera House, Tuesday night, March 30, is an old play, but it is one of the best emotional dramas ever written. Very often plays which have been before the public for fifty years or more are presented by an indifferent company, but this is not the case with the production Mrs. William O. Martin is bringing to the West Baden Opera House. For the first time ever known the play is to be presented by colored people. Mrs. Martin has studied her race from a theatrical standpoint, and believes there is more in them than ragtime songs and dances. The company is headed by Miss Gertrude C. Payne, who is one of the most popular young ladies in French Lick Springs, Ind., an exceptional one, and each character is carefully chosen according to fitness for the role assigned. Miss Payne is young and very attractive, and deserves much credit for the interest she has shown in the play. Other members of the cast are Misses S. C. Pittman, Madie Thurman, Mollie Payne, Josie Loyd and Daisy Payne, who takes the well-known part of "Little Willie," and is said to be a wonderful child actress. William Hayden is the leading man, and the remaining characters are taken by William Martin, John Chenault, Frank Spurlock and William Payne.

ROYAL STOCK COMPANY, MEMPHIS, TENN.

The Royal Stock Company is putting on some very pleasing afterpieces. Mr. Mathews is now writing an afterpiece entitled "Who's the Marquis," while Miss Carrie Hall is assistant. "College Life" was the first this week, written by Miss Carrie Hall. The vaudeville numbers are something of high class and hard to beat. The other houses on the Stroll are all doing a good business and turning patrons away feeling very good. The Royal Theater turned them away Saturday night, March 6. The afterpiece was "Deaf and Dumb Bill." The act was very funny indeed. Mr. R. R. Mathews, Jr., stage manager, posed for song slides and is singing the song, "Good Evening, Car'line." The song and pictures are going very big. The vaudeville numbers are by Miss Ida Gardner, the Memphis favorite; Mr. James E. Simpson, better known as "the little fellow with the big feet;" Miss Carrie Hall, our Georgia soubrette; Mr. Thomas E. Briggs, better known as "Bon Bon Buddie, the Memphis Kid;" Miss Ada Harris, the Crescent City soubrette; Miss Blanche Arlington, as the sailor. Mr. Mathews, our amiable stage manager, of the Royal Stock Company, is very much pleased with his people, also the proprietors, Mr. Thomas Kinnan and Mr. J. T. Slattery, the manager. Richard Matthews sends regards to Leroy Bland and Jones, and also Mr. Archie Greathouse, at Indianapolis.

PITTSBURG (PA.) SHOW SHOP.

By Jassimine.

Thing sare going fine along the avenue. We have been having the finest kind of weather. Both of the vaudeville houses continue to offer very good bills and are attended by large crowds nightly.

What is expected to be the musical event of the season and is being forward to with great interest by the music lovers of the greater city, is the first of the annual spring concerts to be given by the Coleridge-Taylor Symphony Orchestra, of this city, at Continental Auditorium, on Tuesday evening, March 30, 1909. This orchestra, which is now in its fourth year, has the name of being one of the finest colored musical organizations in the country. Dr. A. R. Taylor, the conductor, alos one of the founders of the orchestra, is a musician of rare ability, and has received great praise for his work as a conductor from both white and colored throughout the city. The soloist at the first concert will be Mr. G. Harry Bolden, baritone, who will sing the "Toreador's Song" from the opera of "Carmen," with full orchestra accompaniment. The members of the orchestra are: Dr. A. R. Taylor, conductor; Fred Hawkins, Al R. Robinson, Riley S. Lethwick, Harry C. Waters, first violins; W. S. Anderson, A. P. Lee, J. Beatty, second violins; J. E. Lains, D. E. Sawyer, violas; Edgar Dixon, 'cello; Frank E. Nolden, double bass; D. R. Lewis, flute; Walter Lee, Wm. Finley, clarinets; J. W. Myers, R. A. Duiguid, cornets; Foster White, Wm. Weaver, horns; Joseph Coleman, trombone; R. Anthony Bush, piano; William Butler, drums, traps and bells; H. G. Clarke, tympani.

Desmond and Bailey are playing at the Empire Theater in the East End this week, and are one of the hits of a very large and exceptionally good bill.

Th emanagers of both vaudeville houses on the avenue deesrve a word of praise for the good class of moving pictures which they have been presenting to their patrons. Their pictures have been of the very best, and have always been well received as well as appreciated by the many large audiences. The only fault to be found in this respect is the work of the operators, who do not come up to the average, as they are both young, and judging from the way these young fellows handle the machines in the estimation of the writer, it would be an advisable idea for them both to receive a few more instructions from some experienced operator, and above all, they should learn to lok after the machine and not pay so much attention to the audiences. It is hoped that this matter will be looked into before serious accident occurs.

The Lyceum offers a very good bill this week, headed by Kirk and Stone, in a singing and talking act that was well received. Mr. Stone is a very good comedian, a good talker and a fair singer. Miss Kirke, beside being a very good looking young woman, is an exceptionally clever talker, but her voice is rather weak. However, it is a good act and was heartily applauded. Next came Bennet and Dorner in a very good singing and dancing act. Then followed Leroy and Evert, who presetned a very neat act. Helen Doran, a fair singer and dancer, and moving pictures closed the bill.

The Fulton's bill this week was headed by Rossetta Mitchell, a very clever young white lady in songs and dances. This young lady presented a very neat act. She is a very good singer and is without a doubt the best lady buck and wing dancer that has been seen on the avenue as yet. Next came the Clipper Quintet in a singing and talking act. Their singing was good, especially that of the basso, whose singing was indeed above the average. But their talk was old and there was too much of it. The comedian did some very good dancing. Then came the Donellys in an Irish sketch, after which came R. G. Baker, in illustrated songs. A particularly bad feature of Mr. Baker's work is that he is in the habit of waiting until patrons are in the house to learn his songs, which he would do well to rid himself of. Moving pictures closed a very good bill.

THE NERVOUS BREAKDOWN OF MR. GEORGE WALKER, THE FAMOUS COMEDIAN.

By Juli Jones.

The nervous breakdown of Mr. George Walker, of the world's famous team of WiWliams and Walker, caused no end of comment in the West, if in no other portion of the country, and strange, too, that the public should take such matters so seriously. About the same time Mr. Walker broke down from overwork, the press throughout the country announced the nervous breakdown of Harry Pulliam, president of the National Baseball League. All that was said of Mr. Pulliam was that he had overworked himself. Now compare the two men in their different lines of business. Yet the same. BBoth are getting the public money in an amusement way. The writer is not trying to make Mr. Pulliam's burden lighter than Mr. Walker's, but Mr. Walker has been on the job longer by years, and has never been out of trouble over a year at a time, and fighting with a "smile that won't come off."

Mr. Walker's case makes the old saying true, "There's beautiful flowers and trees growing on many sleeping volcanoes." Mr. Walker hid his troubles under a sweet smile, but mother nature took her course, and Mr. Walker has taken advantage of the beginning and will conquer his slight attack easily. For he is a young man, when you look over the field of colored actors that have broken down from overwork in trying to raise the Negro to a higher position in their chosen profession, yet to be seriously criticized by their friends, saying that dissipation was the cause, without one ounce of the truth to verify their talk. It is a shame to begin with. They never stop to think once how many great men in all walks of life fall from overwork, and still have the sympathy of every one. With the Negro actor it is different.

The profession has had four breakdowns since the middle nineties. Our great song writer was first. Gussie L. Davis's nervous breakdown proved fatal. Mr. Davis fell on the threshold of his ambition; that was to be an actor. His name at that time was the talk of the world. His color was not a question. In fact, it is doubtful to this day if the public ever knew whether he was colored or a man or a woman. And there are plenty of doubts that if the audience at Minor's Eighth Avenue Theater, New York, had known that it was the original Gussie L. Davis that they hissed when he broke down, singing one of his own compositions before the slides, while the house was dark, they never would have done such a thing. Heretofore Mr. Davis had been overpopular along Eighth avenue, and from that night he began to sink and never got over the hissing. He died from a nervous breakdown, trying to push forward and carry his people with him.

The next to fall was the wonderful Bob Cole, who fell from thought of what he had been through for his people, and so much still undone. Incidentally he felt that his friends didn't appreciate what he had really done to save the Negro from the Simon La Gre managers of that day. When the facts are known, Bob Cole is a modern Tousaint L'Overture and a born leader that can stand the test of steel bars between him and liberty for what he thought was right. I am glad that space will allow the writer to give a short story of this wonderful warrior and stage diplomat.

Mr. Cole first came to notice in the early nineties at Worth's. His life will show him becoming stronger after every failure. His beginning at Worth's was just as a vaudeville actor, but he worked up to manager of the house, then suddenly fell. His next move was as responsible man to produce a show for Voelckel and Nolan, to star the great singer, Black Patti, with the assistance of Billy Johnson.

The Black Patti Troubadours were by far the biggest success the Negro had ever produced, and was the medium from which such footlight favorites as Lloyd Gibbs and Mrs. Adia Overton Walker had a chance to show their worth to the public. This also gave Mr. Cole a chance at a new character from a Negro point of view; that was his famous tramp. He did this so well that Chicot commented on him as being funnier than Walter Jones and Dan Dailey rolled together. None of this high praise had any effect on Mr. Cole, as he was only biding his time to make a personal strike for his people and himself, for he felt that all were only half paid for their services. His demand was flatly refused. His next move, which looked at first like a bad one, was to resign his position and take all his music and manuscript. For his kindness his former manager had him put in jail, and the judge held him for the grand jury under very heavy bail, which he could not furnish. Voelckel and Nolan offered to compromise the case if Mr. Cole would give up and come back to work. Mr. Cole said he would content himself right where he was, at the county's expense, unless his demand was granted. That ended matters as far as Voelckel and Nolan were concerned.

As it had been whispered that the managers of Negro shows had got behind Voelckel and Nolan to push Mr. Cole's case to the end, if they settled his case in the right way it would kill off the rising rebel army among the colored performers that had collected, some one took pity on Mr. Cole and let him out of jail on bail. He won his case in open court; that was all. His troubles had just commenced, for he found out, to his sadness, that no other white manager would engage him at any price. To get vaudeville time to amount to anything was out of the question. When he looked around him he found a small army of rebels in the same fix. Such people as J. A. Shipp, Bob Kelly, Lloyd Gibbs, Walter Dixon, Tom Brown and his partner, Billy Johnson. By some means Billy Black showed up and wanted a Negro minstrel. Mr. Cole met him more than half way and offered him a show by the name of "A Trip to Coon Town." At first it was nothing more than a trip through cold, hardships and troubles. This show broke all records the first year for tie-ups by sheriffs and back salary, until Billy Black gave it up. Then the troubles fell upon Cole and Johnson. They had by this time developed a youngster by the name of Samuel Corker, that managed the affairs better than any one they could get. The "trip" eventually made good, but the second season trouble broke among the rebels. This alone broke Mr. Cole down while on the stage in Newark, N. J. He had to be carried to the mountains, but he recovered. The above battle would break down any man in any professional business.

Next to fall was Mr. Ernest Hogan, who is still fighting his troubles, and who, it is said, will win out in time to come. Mr. Hogan fell from what is known as overambition, or trying to do in the East what he had done in the West. Yet it had been done, but the man that did it advised every one to leave it alone—that is, if they wanted to enjoy their sleep and their meals; that was, trying to make actors out of chorus people. That man was Hoyt, the greatest of all comedy writers. Yet Mr. Hogan tried to do just what Mr. Hoyt advised every one not to do. Pride alone made Mr. Hogan take this step. Mr. Hogan came to New York with the reputation of being the only Negro having a reputation and money—a Negro actor and producer. He was well advertised. It was a case of having too many friends in a strange land, as the men who preceded him to New York, when he last saw them, were ordinary, but a few years in an open field had pulled them up to a higher standard. When he took hold of the Black Patti Troubadours to stage and star the second season, he found his troubles. Nevertheless he had featured to a howling success Clorinda on the Casino Roof Garden. With the scale of salary which was allowed him to form a company for Black Patti, he could not get a first-class supporting company. Mr. Hogan worked night and day to get results. His people were loyal, but lacked experience. This trouble alone would have broken down any ordinary man, but he never faltered. Following this, he took more trouble—the Smart Set enchantment—and carried this band to success, to have his heart crushed, to find that he had selped some of his people up only for them to show their ingratitude toward him. He threw up both hands and went it alone to a big success in vaudeville, but returned again to the legitimate to star under Hurtig and Seaman in "Rufus Rastus." More trouble; good show, good people, but got tied up in some way in a theatrical wrangle, about the same time that Williams and Walker were having a string of black Fridays. This alone would hurt seriously a man of Hogan's ambitions, to think that he had left the pleasant field of vaudeville and come into troubled waters. But he stood his guns and won out. Next year the changes in his company were anything but pleasant. The climax came when he produced the "Oyster Man," by Hall Cain, who meant well, but was not acquainted with the Negro well enough to write for him. All due respect to Mr. Cain, who is a brilliant young man. Mr. Hogan only had the name in "Oyster Man" to make as good a show as "Rufus Rastus." It was beyond the brains of the present generation of playwrights. Mr. Hogan fell in the attempt. Here are some of the things that Mr. Hogan did that will always stand out: Ernest Hogan was the only Negro to carry a real talking act into vaudeville; produced the never-dying "Smart Set;" brought such people to the front as the Merideth sisters, Muriel Ringold, John Hill, Lester Walton, dramatic editor of the New York Age, Miss Carita Day and J. Ed Green, now ruling power at the Pekin Theater. Mr. Hogan must be placed alongside our heroes. In defense of the colored actors and the profession, it seems that the colored people have less respect for their own people than any people under the sun and are ready to say or sanction anything bad about an actor or actress. If they would go over the field and make a careful investigation, they would find to their surprise ladies and gentlemen of good families and highly educated, who conduct themselves, in public and private, as becomes ladies and gentlemen, and not dissipators and rovers. And you can't find one in a thousand that will say that the stage was their downfall. Another point that has been overlooked in their defense: they are working to please others at the hours they should have for their own enjoyment. By this arrangement they must have their pleasure after others have theirs, if they have any at all. The people that have such a bad opinion of the Negro on the stage should get better acquainted with him. The Negro actor has opened many race-prejudiced doors.

THE PROFESSION AT MILWAUKEE, WIS.

P. J. Cooper writes: At last we will have the Smart Set with us, opening Sunday, March 21, at the Bijou Theater, and those desiring rooms in private families can be accommodated at 188 6th street.

Mr. Allen Roberson, our trombonist, is out again.

Mr. Minor Howard, manager of the Howard Hotel, reports business good, and has a cafe in connection.

Mr. Louis Young, of the Young Hotel, had the pleasure of meeting the representatives of the Smart Set last Monday.

The Cream City Band is rehearsing new music for the summer season. Musicians, write Harry S. Jones, 206 Wells street.

The Wangdoodel Quartette just closed a week's engagement at the Empire Theater. We were glad to meet our old Indianapolis boy from home, James White. Others were Goodall J. Glenn and Robinson.

Get The Freeman at Walter Edwards' cigar and news stand, 109 4th street.

Capt. L. C. Valle is organizing a colored order of Foresters.

The parents and friends of the young people are much displeased at the way they are being treated at the Alhambra Theater on amateur nights by yelling and making boisterious noises and doing everything to discourage them. It is to be hoped that the management will show them courtesy by having it stopped.

THE PEKIN STOCK COMPANY'S OFFERING FOR THE WEEK OF MARCH 7.

By Irvin C. Miller.

"THE MAN UPSTAIRS."

—Cast.—

Mrs. Looking	Pearl Brown
Rev. John Smith	Lawrence Chenault
John Smith	Mr. Green
Dick Denton	Harrison Stewart
Mabel Smith	Nettie Lewis
Nora Smith	Lottie Grady
Col. Doc Smith	Jerry Mills
Miss Awful Gay	Mae White
Fleet	Chas. Gilpin

Time—Early morning.

Act I—Scene: Tornado flats.

Act II—Scene: Tornado flats, ten minutes later.

Act III—Scene: Tornado flats, fifteen minutes later.

Wired up with the success of "The Pet Dog," I looked forward to enjoying this week's offering at the Pekin with an anticipatory zest quite equal to that of a small town boy awaiting a "coming circus." So when I was ushered to my seat Tuesday night, I was in a mood to find amusement and pleasure in almost everything—the awkwardness displayed by the big man in the box office, the blare and scraping of the orchestra, and even the coaching by the person behind the scene with the book (or rather supposed to be). And if you were at that time in a mood to wear the insignia, "Laugh Wanted," you should have been there, too. That is, if you happen to be one of those who believe that our performers can do something else besides a song and dance.

"The Man Upstairs" is an adaptation from the English farce, "Facing the Music." In adapting it, Marion Brooks certainly left all the mirth-provoking farcicalities, and then some, and did the cleverest part of his work when he transported the scene of his play from the land of "His Royal Highness" and planted it in Punk Willis' neighborhood, Twenty-ninth street and Armour avenue.

The best farces are those where the situations are not made for the sake of situation, but we accept some as good when in reality they are only a conglomeration of nonsensical dialogue.

Well, in the case of "The Man Upstairs" I can't speak too critically of many inconsistent moments, for it is so imperatively, ridiculously laughable that strict consistency covers its head and retires from the discussion. Yes, it is almost a continuous howling gale of laughter.

The story is well defined in the chorus of the popular song, "In the right church, but the wrong pew, in the right neighborhood, that's true; in the right street, and, what's more, in the right flat, but the wrong floor," etc.

There are two John Smiths living in the Tornado flats, one upstairs, a preacher (Mr. Lawrence Chenault), and the other downstairs, race-horse man (Mr. Green). True to life, we discover as the curtain rises that both their wives are not at home. The trouble begins when upstairs Mrs. Smith unexpectedly returns and takes her abode downstairs. This, you are to believe, is made possible by the fact that her sainted husband has moved during her absence. Well, maybe she was away from home so much that she couldn't remember her household goods. Anyway, it is not long before downstairs Smith discovers the stranger in his flat, and would have called her to account, but that would have broken up the play, and, too, he has had an adventurous escapade the night before, viz.: while assisting an actress home he was attacked by hold-up men. So he concludes that the entire affair is a "frame-up," and the strange woman is the actress and a party to the conspiracy. But the real actress has called and started new complications by presenting herself to upstairs Mrs. Smith and relating the daring adventure. Of course, upstairs Smith is credited by his wife as being the candidate for the Carnegie medal. When downstairs Mrs. Smith welcomely arrives you settle down uproariously to watch developments, but just then the curtain drops on the first act, just as downstairs Smith is told that he is in a h—l of a fix. Mr. Green's interpretation doesn't seem to mind this, for in the lapse of ten minutes that is supposed to pass between acts, he changes suits and clear the room for the second act to begin as calmly as did the first. Even more surprising is the curtain on the third act. In the second we are led into a deeper labyrinth of situations. The curtain drops with both the upstairs Mrs. Smith and the downstairs Mrs. Smith claiming the ownership of the flat, a detective mistaking downstairs Mrs. Smith for "Out-there Nell," a notorious character wanted by the police, and upstairs Mrs. Smith supplying "jaw" to make it a rag-chewing medley equal to the "corporation wrangle" in "Bandana Land." Yet fifteen minutes later the curtain on the third act finds perfect quiet, and all parties in different parts of the flat. Impossible!

As Rev. John Smith, Mr. Chenault is seen at his best, and demonstrates new ability, displaying real unction and carefully studied purpose. Mr. Green was unsteady in the first act, but in the second and third was excellent. Barring a little gallery play in spots, his supposed delirium was a vicious exaggeration of an extremely improbable condition. Mr. Mills was very unsatisfactory. His work hardly telescopes with his past performances. He gave us a colonel no different from the tramp in the "Trip to Coon Town." Mr. Stewart contributed some good fun and was always natural. Mr. Gilpin, also, was true to his part, and that's saying a great deal. Miss White's manner was refined and intelligent. Misses Lewis and Grady were satisfactory, though the latter was a little actory. Miss Brown was as natural as an April shower.

NEGRO PLAYWRIGHTS AND PLAYS.

Dudley of the "Smart Set" is looking for something good to give the theatregoers next year. At present J. Ed Green is working on a new play which he will use if it comes up to the requirements. Dudley seems to be hopeful of the work, but he is none too sanguine about it. He thinks that there should be more Negro playwrights. And there would be if the Negro stage was certain of that gradual growth noted elsewhere, indicating a steady demand for stage stuff and of a certain order. What will we do tomorrow? is yet too much of a question among the Negro players. The best are reasonably sure of continuous employment but where? and the rest of the questions confront them. The uncertainty does not suggest playwrights contemplating a remunerative business; and until there is more certainty, prospective good pay by purchase, royalty or whatever method, the would-be playwright will linger in the background.

And, really, the situation is excusable. It is only within the last half dozen years that Negro plays as such have made any headway. Formerly 'twas the minstrel, where the grotesque ruled absolutely. The nice doings of nowadays were not thought of. The box office wouldn't stand for it, and it dictates the show. The Negro shows, when depicting the varied phases of life, good, bad or indifferent, are feeling their way along and, as said before, making for that uncertainty of the next season's demand.

It is true that as a whole the Negro stage is coming up, but it is plain that it takes expert head work to keep the tendency upward and at the same time keep up the receipts. The theatre-going public of Indianapolis are different from those of New Orleans and yet the players show in both of these cities. It means that there must be compromises in the presentation with the view of meeting the approval of either section. The area over which a colored show may play without regard to the race issue is indeed limited. The playwright or the would-be playwright knows this. Consequently he is also limited; could not satisfactorily employ his talents.

No one knows more about this condition than Mr. Dudley. Yet he must have a good strong show, prefers one brand new to one redone or rehashed from that of the last season. In fact, there ought to be one or two shows presenting such plays that they would keep over several seasons. But the difficulty is obvious enough here. The borderland of the drama era, or even the comedy—not in spots, but clean through, or the comic or more serious opera, is just about reached. Heretofore, and even up until this time, the presentations have been the nearest films of plays in the accepted sence. Now, it is reasonably certain that if circumstances warranted a straight play from curtain to curtain, it would be given. But we have shreds and patches, and simply because the public will only pay for what it wants. Amid these shreds and patches genius flits and is noted, indicative of what might be if it were not for the handicap. So it is very evident that it will be some time before a play of sufficient stability for weathering the years of wear appears. The playwright or would-be playwright knows this and the most he may do is to furnish a skein of a tale, and which is of no moment other than a nebular creation on which is to hang all the things done, and is meant to be no more than that. It is answering what is called the popular demand. The "Red Moon," Cole & Johnson's show, has gone further in the matter of presenting a complete play. Even that presentation is mixed—part opera, more or less serious; part comedy; some drama and which at intervals is of tragedy aspect. This show made a fine name for itself in Indianapolis. What other portions of the country think of it is, of course, unknown to us.

With all of the drawbacks, there has been much good, much advance. The disadvantage is simply by contrast with the advantages of white actors, those of the more pretentious presentations; but the miscellaneous character of the shows do not appeal strongly to the playwright. A few years yet and this may all be different. If the advance keeps up, it is certain enough that dramatization will also advance.

MUNCIE, IND.

At the First Street M. E. Church, Sunday, March 21, will be the closing of this conference year. Hon. Judge Leffler will speak at 3 p. m., Sunday....Rev. J. E. Burton will leave for conference at Indianapolis,....The Epworth League gave an entertainment Friday evening. Program: Prayer by Rev. Burton; piano solo, Miss Beulah Kelly; cornet solo, Master Raymond Hoyt; reading, Miss Mabel Burton; recitation, Ross Brown; solo, Master D. Kelly; song by the Silver Quartette; talk by Rev. White. Robert Jones is president. ....E. J. Cain, president of the Polytechnic Industrial School, of Indianapolis, preached Sunday afternoon at Trinity M. E. Church....The Epworth League will entertain Friday evening. Program by Miss M. Cottnam. A prominent lawyer of the city will lecture....The Ladies' Aid Society was entertained at the home of Mrs. Traven Stone, Thursday afternoon. ....Eagle Lodge, No. 14, Knights of Pythias, gave a smoker in their hall Monday evening, March 8, in honor of Sir Wm. R. Roberts, D. D. G. C. Sir Roberts gave a short talk on Pythianism, which was very highly appreciated by all. He is a very fluent talker and a thoroughbred K. of P. This fact enables him to talk with a manner of conviction that cannot be resisted. After a few hours of sociable smoke and conversation, the lodge was called to order for business and the rest were dismissed to the ante-room. Bro. Roberts gave a lecture for the good of the order and discussed plans for the enlargement of the different lodges in his district. ....Mrs. Mary Goins, D. D. G. W. C. of the Court of Calanthe, met the ladies of the city for the purpose of discussing plans for the organization of a court here. A great deal of interest was shown by those present, and it is hoped that in the near future Muncie may be able to boast of a very brilliant court....Phyllis Wheatley gave a St. Patrick Social Wednesday evening, at Mrs. Ben Ray's. ....Mrs. Mary Ivy has returned to Sheridan, Ind., after a visit with her son and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Dora Ivy....G. W. Strong has gone to Charlotte, N. C., to attend the funeral services of James Strong, his father....Jim Reasoner, of New York, has returned home, after a short visit with his uncle, Jack Stokes.

SPRINGFIELD, O.

There was organized Friday evening, March 12, the Colored Men's Business League. The following are the officers: President, S. E. Huffman; vice president, Geo. W. Blackburn; secretary, Osborn Cole; assistant secretary, J. W. Murphy; treasurer, James L. Harris; executive committee, Capt. W. F. Ellicott, David Wilborn, Geo. Gray, Cyrus Price, Sanford Cross White, Thos. Yancy. The object of the league is to promote every kind of business among our race. The first enterprise that will be attempted will be the Co-operative Merchandise Company. We have one mortgage loan company here, doing a good business. Its offices are located in the Gotwald building, one of the finest in our city. We also have the Champion Kidney Remedy Company, which is doing quite a large business, selling their goods everywhere....There will graduate from Wittenberg College in June a young man of our race, Mr. Samuel M. Huffman. Mr. Huffman expects to take up the profession of law. He has kept shoulder to shoulder with the members of his class throughout his collegiate career.

ROUTES.

KONGO KING COMPANY—Flannigan, Ill., March 20, 21; Chillicothe, 22.

BROWN AND HODGES—Week of March 28, Grand Opera House, Pueblo, Col.

RICHARD AND PRINGLE'S MINSTRELS—Under the direction of Holland and Filkins: Coffeyville Kans., March 22; Cherryvale, 23; Chanute, 24; Iola, 25; Joplin, Mo., 27; Galena, Kans., 28.

McCABE'S MINSTRELS—Tigeriorni, Wis., March 22, 23; Wittenberg, 26, 27, 28.

BLACK PATTI TROUBADOURS—Bakersfield, Cal., March 21; Hanford, 22; Tulare, 23; Visalia, 24; Fresno, 25; Merced, 26; Stockton,, 27.

THE FREEMAN POSTOFFICE

Notice.—Persons whose names appear in the following list will kindly send for mail, as the names will appear four times and then returned to writer or dead-letter office. It would prevent delay if all performers would send route from time to time and letter could be forwarded at once.

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Boyd, Al
Edawrds, Ray Lyons
Happy Banguard.
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Route: Joplin, Mo., March 27; Rich Hill, 29; Sedalia, 30.

Old World News.

From Our Own Correspondent.

The "Old World" seems to be having more than its share of disasters this new year. The dreadful earthquake at Messina was followed by floods in Germany; now another great earthquake is reported from Persia, with a list of killed placed at 1,000, and to-day's dispatches report an explosion in a Welch coal mine, entombing 140 men, with little prospects of any of them escaping death. Some things seem to be worse than war among the European powers.

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Emily Cassidy, the twelve-year-old girl, of London road, Southwark, has achieved world-wide distinction by her tender little thought of sending the bereft Queen of Portugal a note of condolence when her husband was so cruelly torn from her.

This was just a year ago, and the report in "Lloyd's" reproducing her note of sympathy and Queen Amelia's gracious acknowledgment, accompanied by a photo of the winsome little lass, has brought her many letters and a few distant friends.

Among those who read the report was Mr. F. Barrista Thompson, of Oguta Station, Southern Nigeria, a native of West Africa. He wrote to Emily Cassidy, telling how he had read of her kind action, and asking how she was getting along in school. Other letters passed, the English schoolgirl exchanged photographs with her colored correspondent, and finally there have reached her some interesting specimens of native work from her distant friend.

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With so much "war talk" in America with regard to Japan, it will be interesting to note a recent interview given by Dr. Sven Hedin, the noted traveler and lecturer. Dr. Hedin says, in speaking of Japan:

"Wonderful country! Wide-awake, lovable, joyful people! How old, exhausted and gray life is in other countries of Asia compared to that of the land of the Rising Sun, where every man goes to work silently and dutifully, and the women smile even when the rain is coming down in streams from the dull gray heavens—a people who believe in themselves, their own greatness, their own future; a people steeped to the marrow in loyalty, sense of duty, perseverance; an industrious people, wide awake, intelligent, and well informed in all the ways of life.

"A fact that has often struck me is how little the Japanese think of the men who, quite recently, have written the history of the world with the point of their swords or the fire from their cannon. A month ago, when we visited the Shinto Temple, raised to the memory of the hero Kusunoki in Kobe, many of my friends said that when Admiral Togo dies such a temple is sure to be raised to him. But if, on the other hand, one expresses one's profound admiration of such men, hardly any one agrees, and for the reason that they consider that these men have only done their duty; that the fulfillment of duty is the most natural thing in the world, and not worth wasting words over."

Describing the fete given him by the generals, Dr. Sven Hedin speaks of the victor of Nanshan:

"The seventy-year-old, stern, gray-haired Oku, crabbed, dry, and bearded like some old tree stem. He roared like a lion—one might have thought that he was commanding a divsion on a field of battle, instead of talking to a dinner party of twenty gentlemen.

"I met Admiral Count Togo. Small, reserved, and speaking in a low voice, he asked in a friendly tone about my travels; he did not say much, but what he did say was informing and in excellent English. His whole facon d'etre is unassuming; he lives in a miniature doll's house, and eats his raw fish and macaroni with chopsticks."

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Probably the oldest soldier in the world, Andrei Schmidt, who is aged 120 and fought in the Russian army during the Napoleonic wars, recently arrived in St. Petersburg with the object of seeing the Czar.

He was introduced into the Czar's study, and his Majesty received the veteran with extreme kindness. Schmidt answered several questions, but finally, overwhelmed with emotion, he broke down and burst into tears.

The Czar made the old soldier some valuable presents, and presented him to the Czarewitch and to one of the little Grand Duchesses.

"After this happiness," old Schmidt declared, "I can die in peace."

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Hon. and Mrs. John P. Green, of Cleveland, Ohio, have arrived in London, after a short tour of the continent. While in Rome Mr. and Mrs. Green enjoyed the unique distinction of being received and blessed by the Pope. I am quite sure that this distinction is enjoyed by a very limited few of our people. Mr. and Mrs. Green will remain in London during the spring.

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Mr. and Mrs. Harry T. Burleigh, of New York, are expected in Europe this spring. It will be remembered that Mr. Burleigh is our noted baritone singer, and that last summer, during a visit to London, he sang before the King and Queen of England.

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News from German Southwest Africa shows that a tremendous diamond fever has taken hold of the colony, accompanied by the worst features of an American gold fever. Adventurers of the dangerous type are gathering round the diamond fields, and unheard-of speculations are the order of the day.

Another serious social danger is the manner in which the natives are engaged for work. This amounts almost to slavery, inasmuch as the native are sold and resold and commissions taken for procuring them. Their wages and treatment are all right, but the natives are now unwilling to work at the other mining districts or industries for the old wages, or, in fact, at all, as they can hope for greater fortunes in the diamond fields.

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A telegram from Addis Abeba states that Emperor Menelik, who was reported dying some weeks ago, is recovering, and has just sent a contribution of $30,000 in aid of the sufferers by the recent earthquake in Calabria and Sicily.

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I have just read of a most unconventional engagement, and, feeling sure your readers will enjoy the humor, I am sending this.

The following appeal appears in the personal column of a Warsaw newspaper: "Will the young lady in pink, with the glorious dark eyes, who accepted a young student's proposal of marriage at last night's ball, kindly let him know her name and address, so that the wedding may not be delayed?"

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The trial of Dinizulu, chief of the Zulus, for treason has just been concluded in Greytown, Natal. Dinizulu was fined $500, and is to suffer imprisonment for four years.

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In the accounts in several European newspapers of President Taft's inauguration I notice that each one speaks in terms of highest praise of the Filipino Band. It will be remembered that the director of this band is Mr. Walter Loving, a young colored man who is a native of Washington, D. C. After studying music for some years in Boston, Lieutenant Loving entered the army, and during the Spanish-American war he was given charge of the band connected with the Forty-eighth Volunteers. The success of this band during their stay in the Philippines was so great that at the close of the war Lieutenant Loving was offered the directorship of the Constabulary Band, and very wisely accepted. He at present holds the rank of lieutenant in the United States Army.

Lieutenant Loving is highly respected in the army and by a host of friends, both in America and the Philippines, not only for his musical ability, but also for his searling qualities as a gentleman.

THE INTEREST OF RACE MEN EVERYWHERE

In the city of St. Paul, the capital of Minnesota, stands a magnificent structure called the Union Block. Its boundaries on the north, south, east and west are marked by Cedar, Minnesota, Fourth and Fifth streets. The many rooms in this building are used, for the most part, as offices for professional and business men. It might be of interest to race men to learn that there are several colored professional and business men housed under the roof of this beautiful building, of whom it can be said—and is true—they are making history a valuable and much to be appreciated reference, for present and future generations.

Among those in reference are the Hon. Frederick L. McGhee, attorney-at-law, national committeeman, a general director in the Niagria movement, a race man, and a true, tried and respected citizen of St. Paul, Ramsey county, State of Minnesota. Mr. McGhee's life and work, when written, embodying its annals—his successful career as a member of the bar of the State of Minnesota, with his trials and tribulations in Hennepin and Ramsey counties—will not only be an invaluable edition to the race everywhere, but would be instructive and respected reference in any of the modern libraries. Much will be written of him later, when sufficient facts will have been gathered so as to render all credit and honor due to one so distinguished and deserving.

Mr. Edward J. Williams is another of those in reference—just a plain citizen of St. Paul, who in the twenty-four years of his residence eventually won for himself a place in the hearts of his fellow-citizens that will redound to the credit of his brothers for many centuries to come and in all directions of the compass on this sphere.

Mr. Williams originally resided in Philadelphia, Pa., taking up his residence in St. Paul in the early eighties, and through his uprightness, his integrity and straightforward business dealings with those sturdy pioneers, who were quick to recognize these virtuous qualities in the man and his family, honored him and accepted them, and unto this day it has not even been hinted of even the slightest deviation from this rule, adopted in his very beginning.

The beautiful results of this magnificent career might be summed up in a very few short paragraphs, beginning with the many opportunities and advantages offered from time to time, of which he has as often accepted and made the most of, and up to the present time have made him the most talked-of, the most popular Negro in the Northwest section of this country.

Mr. Williams can be found on most any day—he or his representative—at his desk in the office of the Small Loan and Investment Company, 27 Union Block, being one of the principal directors in this giant concern, incorporated in 1904, with a capital stock of $50,000.

The principal object in introducing Mr. Williams through the columns of THE FREEMAN to its many readers is because of the many advantages and golden opportunities within reach for those who would spare the time and take the trouble to learn of the facts as are herein given.

In the Northwestern States, and particularly Canada, and its western provinces, viz., Alberta, Saskatchewan, British Columbia and Manitoba, are thousands of acres of the best wheat lands in the country awaiting the homesteader.

And in the same breath, opportunities are plentiful in realty deals and speculations that are gilt-edge in coal, copper, telephone and other securities that are awaiting men who have the hope, the ambition, the pluck, the determination, and with very little capital to succeed. People are rushing in from every clime to this land of opportunity, and it is sad to note that those of us who would be welcomed and cordially received are conspicuous by our absence.

Now, let us be up and doing! remembering that "it is the fittest of us who survives," and to those these words are especially addressed. Mr. Williams has an extensive acquaintance in an extended area, and is as much acquainted with the topography of the Northwest and Canada as he is with the place of his birth. Write to him at once, and he will gladly furnish you the information sought for, and at no cost, other than the necessary two cents postage.

Much could be written of Mr. Williams' home life and ties that have made him endeared to the hearts of thos who personally know him, but space does not permit the undertaking at this time. It is a pleasure, however, to record the finish of the musical education of his daughter, Miss Myrtle Mae Williams, at the Boston Conservatory of Music, and who is now touring the South as a well-earned recreation after her strenuous studies.

The following well-known firms and business houses are some of the many references which are cheerfully furnished to those of us who appreciate "a good thing" when shown "if" only the proper credentials were in evidence:

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Correspondence cheerfully solicited, and an invitation is extended to race in general. Address E. J. Williams, 27 Union Block, St. Paul, Minn.

NATIONAL CO-OPERATION.

Now that the election is a thing of the past, the annoyance and the danger of the frantic orator vanish. The President has spoken. We know what are his convictions as a man, his sentiments as a citizen, his policy as the President, and his convictions as to the pathway up to the level of and friendly welcome among all other citizens, so far as all of this relates to the Negro.

Right at this point in the career of the race, wisdom lifts her warning finger before the impatient enthusiast, before the unscrupulous self-seeker, the vain and blatant leader, and says: "Hold! In the name of the highest and truest welfare of the race, in the name of the only course open to the race which has the promise of the powerful approval and aid of the President, which gives promise of the one thing needful if the race is ever to reach the heights, and that one thing is the sympathetic friendship of all other citizens, of all sections, and of all parties."

The President declares himself to be free from race prejudice of any sort, but the President is not the whole country. The President and the party that has triumphantly placed him in his seat are not the whole country. The North, with all of its wealth and power and intelligence, is not the whole country. The South, with its bold courage and growing possibilities and mighty traditions, is not the whole country. The South cannot repeal the constitutional amendments; the North cannot enforce them entirely when they conflict with the determined ideas of the South; a political party, or all political parties combined, cannot; the government cannot.

The President, in his inaugural address, has pointed out the path which, in his opinion, leads to the door that opens upon the level of citizenship and the enjoyment of its rights and privileges and blessings, to all of which the race is entitled by law, but which it cannot find until it has passed through that door—the door which it can never reach save by the consent of the people, the country.

The Negro is not the only race that has toreach the heights by climbing a difficult pathway. Our country is not the only country that has to deal with difficult and grave problems; conditions woth attaining either by a nation or by an individual always demand terrific effort.

A few centuries ago the majority of all human beings were either slaves or serfs; the noblest Greek philosophers thought and wrote in the midst of slavery; but now very little slavery exists in the world. The history of our country in the past shows us its horrid side, its sufferings, its cruelties without number; but it also shows some points of progress gained, some horrid feature eliminated. It shows heroic and successful struggle against mighty odds to gain a fuller application of the principals upon which our nation rests all its hopes of perpetuity.

The monster in the path to-day is organized greed. This monster slain, the advancing ranks will discover new difficulties, new complications and fresh foes.

The individual or the nation that complains and seeks help is doomed to failure. Only those win who disdain help save that of God. "Those who believe, achieve."

J. M. HENDERSON, M. D.

THE SECOND OF THE SERIES OF DR. PARKHURST'S ARTICLES.

By SYLVESTER RUSSELL.

The second of a series of articles given out by Dr. Charles H. Parkhurst in the Hearst newspapers continues to indicate that he has a higher grade of natural common sense than we get from nine-tenths of the average newspaper men of these days. "God works to the extent that there are instrumentalities that can be made available," says the thoughtful doctor. We glean from this that those who are instruments in His cause, and prove themselves worthy, are given further lease of life and further development of mental capacity by gravitation which comes through the devotion of man to his duty as a reward by the Divine Providence. "There are views of the Divine Providence that are more pious than they are reasonable," again says the doctor.

In commenting upon the passengers that were saved off the ill-fated steamer Republic, he attributes the mercy of God in saving the passengers to the bravery of Sealby and Binns. And Dr. Parkhurst places great importance on the man who is responsible for others' lives, and the trust we repose in whatever man is at the helm. He especially condemns California as a State that is not capable of maintaining its own preservation, effecting the Japanese question, without more or less deeply involving the well-being of the country at large. And next he hits upon too much States' rights. He says, in part: "The several States are more and more coming to feel their absorption in the general life of the nation. The necessities of our case are educating us along the line of federal centralization as opposed to the independency of State rights." This I regard as the greatest of wisdom, and Dr. Parkhurst has been the first public man to give this question utterance and serious attention. For years America has dragged along with State defiance, and State authorities have hurled bricks of slander and ignorance at the President, the Government and the National Capital. Dr. Parkhurst concludes his remarks with this: "So the President is distinctly within his prerogatives as the chief executive in putting pressure upon the situation in California, and by so doing is rendering service to California, to the United States and Japan."

And in the face of this we have the announcement that Japanese have been prohibited from public school education in California. It would be all right to prohibit Japanese who are over age (twenty-one) from attending the public schools with children, but as for common education, never! How can they do it? Every sane man of that part of the country must know that such a deed is entirely unconstitutional in the extreme in this supposedly free country. The great mistake with white American people is they think they know it all, when, lo and behold, we discover, from Tampa to the District of Columbia, and from there to Los Angeles, that the foreigner from across the sea, the whites, blacks and the Orientals, and the blacks, mulattoes and the red half-breed Indian, but principally the black man or Negro of America, are the races that really have the barins and manhood. Dr. Parkhurst knows that the white man, with all his wealth and ease, is not taking time to listen to this, and that to the ignorant whites it is bliss. All the conflicts are wars with ignorant white people, so Dr. Parkhurst may as well give these subjects up and leave the reckless country to its doom.

PRINCIPAL WM. H. HOLTZCLAW.

The Utica Normal and Industrial Institute, of Utica, Miss., is attracting attention owing to its class of work. It is after the Tuskegee idea, and in all likelihood will be the Tuskegee of Mississippi. Prof. Wm. H. Holtzclaw is gaining attention as a speaker along the line of his work. The school has just closed its sixth annual Negro Conference, during which time he made a notable address, which appeared in full in the Jackson Daily News. Among the many well-said things was the following: "Wherever it is possible, we should strive to forget the evils that have been brought us in the past by political demagogues. Strive to live in the present and in the future. Criminations and recriminations will accomplish no good purpose. If we can't say anything good of our neighbors, it will be far better to say nothing." Again, he said:

"We declare our opposition to Negro young men and women leaving the plantation and crowding themselves into the towns and villages, and we are especially opposed to this class of individuals crowding into the Northern cities in such large numbers. Experience teaches that the South is a far better place for the masses of our people than any other section of the country. There is no section of the country where his opportunities to get up in the world are equal to those in the South, notwithstanding the many discouragements which we have to face in our native section. A large part of the crime committed in the State of Mississippi by Negroes at the present time is the result of those Negroes living in the overcrowded cities. In this connection, we feel bound to urge the Southern planters to provide better houses for their Negro tenants, as well as better school facilities. We bespeak for these tenants humane treatment and protection against the lawless. On the other hand, every Negro who secures any amount of education, however limited, should demonstrate to his white neighbor that such education does not make him proud or pompous, to that neighbor's disgust. We urge our people to remain sober, with a deep sense of all our imperfections; diligent in every pursuit, with simplicity of manners."

The speech was full of good, sound advice, such as the occasion demands. It appears that the Negro statesmen and politicians are not making good in devising and suggesting ways and means by which the best may result of the situation. It seems to be up to the school masters, the Washingtons, Holtzclaws and the hundred more, to preach the real gospel of peace.

LANE COLLEGE, JACKSON, TENN.

Lane College, of Jackson, Tenn., is deserving of special mention for the rapid strides it has made within recent years. A few years ago the institution sprang into existence as an ordinary school, with studies leading to that of high school, in a two-story frame building of ten rooms. It has emerged into a college, having eight buildings, about forty acres of land; worth upwards of $75,000. The scholastic endeavor has kept pace with the material growth. Courses of studies have been added, improved, until Lane well sustains its classification as a college.

The institution is one of the several maintained by the Colored Methodist Episcopal Church, having the distinction, if one may say so, of being the most recently organized of the greater Negro churches. The growth of the church and its schools have been great—scarcely less than phenomenal, and which are better known in the South. Only within the last few years has the denomination appeared in the North.

A new hall for the girls, with a steam heating plant, is one of the late improvements of the college, costing $19,950. It speaks progressiveness and regard for the best interests of the students. The educational work is being carried on by men and women hailing from well-known schools, including Walden, Howard, Atlanta, Fink and Roger Williams Universities, Oberlin, Lane, Knoxville and Payne Colleges. A number of these instructors have taken post-graduate work, and are especially prepared to make for the prestige of Lane. Along with its other work of usefulness, it prepares for the future church in preparing young ministers.

The institution is named in honor of Bishop Isaac Lane, who worked very hard, in season and out, to give it a footing. He is not without his reward, for he has seen his work grow to the great proportions it now is, for which he is not only due the thanks of his particular creed; the movement has been for the uplift of the race—he is due its thanks also. It won't hurt if the land is sowed full of such men, rather than dragon teeth to ensnare, to tear. Long live Bishop Lane!

If you would keep abreast of the times then you should read The Freeman each week at six months, 85 cents; one year, $1.50.

COMPLAINT FOR DIVORCE.

State of Indiana, Marion County, ss:

In the Superior Court of Marion County, in the State of Indiana.

Frank E. Pettiford vs. Ellen Pettiford.

No. 78049.

Complaint for divorce.

Be it known, that on the 5th day of March, 1909, the above named plaintiff, by his attorneys, filed in the office of the Clerk of the Superior Court of Marion County, in the State of Indiana, his complaint against the above named defendant, Ellen Pettiford, and the said plaintiff having also filed in said Clerk's office the affidavit of a competent person, showing that said defendant, Ellen Pettiford, is not a resident of the State of Indiana, and said cause is for divorce, and that the above named defendant is a necessary party thereto; and whereas, said plaintiff having by indorsement on said complaint required said defendant to appear in said court, and answer or demur thereto, on the 4th day of May, 1909.

Now, therefore, by order of said court, said defendant last above named is hereby notified of the filing and pendency of said complaint against her, and that unless she appear and answer or demur thereto, at the calling of said cause on the 4th day of May, 1909, the same being the second judicial day of a term of said court, to be begun and held at the court house, in the city of Indianapolis, on the first Monday in May, 1909, said complaint and the matters and things therein contained and alleged, will be heard and determined in her absence.

LEONARD M. QUILL, Clerk.
Jas. T. V. Hill, Attorney for Plaintiff.

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SPORTING GOSSIP of the WEEK.

SCRAPS FROM THE SPORTING WORLD

By Harry W. Jackson.

"If I get back in condition."

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Gans was favorite over White.

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Benny Yanger will probably re-enter the ring.

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He doesn't draw the color line—Al Kubiak.

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Strike one! Ball three! Time hain't long, is it?

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Jimmy Walsh expects to meet Digger Stanley May 10.

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Would McConnell attempt to lynch a bellboy in New York?

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Welsh, Driscoll and Moran are well representing John Bull in the American arena.

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The Negro Football Guide Company will put out a football guide devoted to our race.

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William E. Henderson, Jr., took part in the indoor track meet at Shortridge yesterday.

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John Jackson and Othello Broyles have called off their respective bouts which were to take place in Louisville, Ky.

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Young Pierce demonstrated in his bout with Abe Attell that the colored featherweights have a chance at the championship.

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If "Kid" Chenault holds 'em down in the roped square as he can behind the bat, he will make good with any of them. Yours for success, John.

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Bugs Weston, the crack twirler of the Junior League team of Orangeburg, S. C., wolud like a try-out with some Pacific coast tea mthis season.

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Seybold, Shreck, McGinnity, Taylor, Collins, Barry, Coughlin, McGann, Pickering, Needham and Courtney will be seen in the minor leagues this season.

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That $150,000 purse out in Seattle for the Johnson-Jeffries bout equals the gate receipts of the famous Burns-Johnson mill. Do you think that there is much to it?

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At the meeting of the intercollegiate football rules committee, next week, several minor changes will be made in the rules. Why not limit line plunges to one in three downs?

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"If a mayor leaves office, he's an ex-mayor, isn't he? When a champion leaves the ring he's an ex-champion." This is Jack Johnson's reply to Jeffries' claim that he is still the champion.

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A fake wrestling match between Johnny Billitter and a wrestler by the name of Spencer, who was introduced as Fred Eato, of Cleveland, last week, has probably put a damper on wrestling in Toledo, Ohio.

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Sunday baseball—will they have it? Pennsylvania has the question that we have just settled. The same interests are back of the move there as were here, and it is expected Pennsylvania will have Sunday baseball.

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Battling Nelson doesn't speak favorable of the Gans-White bout. He says that it was "more like a boxing lesson than anything else." He accuses Gans of attempting to fake, and that the hoots of the crowd really made him do what he did do.

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While Battling Nelson claims that he can whip all of the English champions in one day, Johnny Thompson says that he will give him all the money if Nelson even stays with him ten rounds. Nelson thinks John Bull's scrappers are easy, and Thompson thinks Bat is easy. Who's really the E Z mark?

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The Mt. Vernon (Ind.) boys have organized a baseball team that will go out after the fastest of the State, and it is hoped that they will be seen in action in the city before the coming season rolls by. The members who compose the team were formerly of the Cyclones, a fast aggregation of last season. Under the management of Edward Clements and Kennie Givings, the team is expected to play winning ball. The following candidates have already reported: Arthur Thomas, Robert Harrison, Eugene Harrison, John McElroy, Alfred Hughes, David Harper, Esley Caldwell, Abraham White and Clyde Johnson.

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The Burns-Johnson gate receipts broke all records, and Hugh McIntosh, the promotor of this fight, believes that a Johnson-Jeffries fight would far surpass in attendance and finance the present record-breaker. He has offered $50,000 for a bout between the present and ex-champions, to take place in Australia, where the fight craze is at a high pitch, or in England, where a fair decision will be given without regard to color. It would pay to have such a fight in almost any of the countries where prize-fighting is tolerated. Big offers have been made in almost all of the European countries, as large as those of the home of the two men of the hour.

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The people down in Galveston, Texas, say that they will prosecute Jack Johnson if he takes his white wife there. The laws of Texas forbid whites and blacks marrying, but Johnson says that those laws will not interfere with his wife accompanying him to his old home, and that she will stay there as long as she pleases. It does not seem possible for prosecution in Johnson's case, as he did not marry his white wife in that State, but the courts down there seem to think that they can prevent the two from living together while in that State. Johnson has left the question with his attorneys. Some more trouble. Johnson's first wife, who is a colored woman, declares that he was illegally married to his second wife, as he did not get a legal divorce from her, and that if he takes Mrs. Johnson No. 2 to Texas there will be a warm reception in store for him. Wonder what the purse of this bout will be?

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The following article appeared in a Negro paper published in Maryville, Tenn.:

"The Negro press of the United States boasts too exultantly over the success of Jack Johnson, the Negro pugilist, who succeeded in vanquishing his pugilistic antagonist. There is nothing in the victory that brings honorable and elevating credit to the race. All respectable Negroes are not 'dead game sports.'"

This is the first comment of this kind that we have read in any of the papers, white or colored, home or foreign, that have said anything at all in reference to Jack Johnson. Evidently this paper is prejudiced, we dare say, to even the toleration of boxing at all, without saying whether or not it has any credit to bestow upon the only black man who has ever been champion of champions of the entire world. Whereas this paper says "we boast too exultantly over the success of Jack Johnson," we have read scores of articles in white papers stating that the Negro should be proud of him. Not only should we be proud, but openly express the pride we have in him. Of course, it is true that we can make too "much ado" over Johnson, but have we done so? In using the term "we" here, it does not mean our paper alone, but all Negro journals that are proud of the fact that a black man—one of our color and race—is at the top of the ladder of pugilistic fame. Our white papers all laud James J. Jeffries. Why should not we say a few words about Mr. Johnson? Shall we keep mum? Should we not feel honored to have the world recognize us as having the best, even though it be in athletic or boxing circles? Though we are not all "dead game sports," don't you think we should have race pride enough to appreciate a skilled and scientific boxer like Johnson? Do we boast too much of the good that one of our race has accomplished?—are we gifted to that?

DIAMOND DUST.

In Cuba now the players all call Petway the "Black Kling."

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Shutouts are getting to be common occurrences with Walter Ball in Cuba.

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Pete Hill, of the Lelands, is standing the natives on their heads by his terrific speed and slugging.

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Nathan Harris, of the Lelands, is also in Cuba, as are Buckner, Booker, Lloyd, Bobby Winston and several others.

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It seems as though Jimmy Smith, who formerly led the St. Paul Gophers and Leland Giants, will be back on the job this season, leading Daddy Rood's team. The "old three figures" looks pretty good.

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Chappie (Rat) Johnson has got the bugs stirred up over his location this season. But few know that Chappie carries a contract calling for "three figures."

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If Walter Ball shoots them across the plate at Auburn Park this summer as he is doing now in Cuba, the Leland Giants will romp in the City League.

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There is a great demand just now for Lloyd, Petway, Earl, McMurray and Gatewood, and there is tall hustling going on among the managers for their services.

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"Rube" Foster looks to be in pink condition now. The Demon twirler takes his champions on a training trip this month, the first ever taken by a semi-pro. team in Chicago.

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Manager Mitchell, of the Minneapolis Keystones, has such players as Dad Roberts, Binga, Campbell, Johnson, Jessup, Graham and Hopkins, with several Texas stars to pick from. As usual, the Eastern teams bid fair to remain the same, and such familiar faces as Buckner, Sol White, McClellan, Holland, Monroe, Big Clarence Williams and others will be seen on the circuits this season.

LOUISVILLE GIANTS OPEN SEASON WITH ATKINS

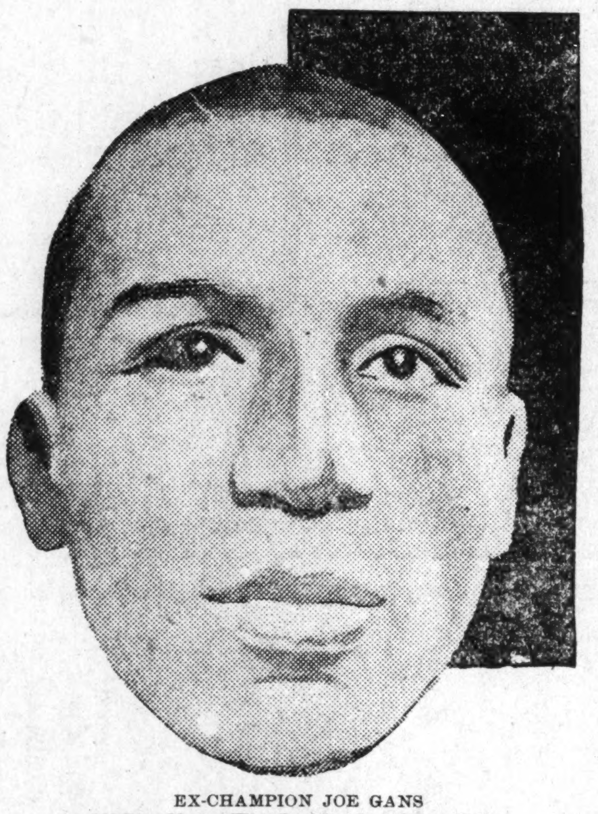
Now Owned by a Stock Company—Have Own Park—Will Open Spring Practice April 1.

LOUISVILLE, Ky. — (Special.) — The Louisville Giants Club announces that they have formed a stock company for the season of 1909, and they will have a stronger team than last season, with the success of securing some few players that are well known throughout the country. Some of the old faces will be seen on the field when the open the season with one of the strongest white teams in Indiana, known as the Atkins baseball team, on the 28th of April. The Giants have also secured the best amateur baseball grounds in Louisville, which is known as the Old League Park. It is located at Twenty-eighth and Broadway streets. The stockholders are arranging to make the park a success, and will rent it for picnics or any other pleasure that the public may desire. For information, you may see Clark Jefferson, park commissioner, Home phone 6060. Manager Lancaster says that he will have one of the strongest teams on the road this season. Headquarters are at Tom Cole's saloon, Tenth and Walnut streets.

Thomas Young, president of the company, states that this will be one of the greatest ball seasons of history, and that the club is open to meet all comers for 1909 in baseball. The company is composed of Thomas Young, president; Alfred Hamilton, vice-president; Clarence Coleman, secretary; Alfred Brown, treasurer; Clark Jefferson, park commissioner; Ed Lancaster, manager; Charlie Williams and Andrew Cambrage. The Giants' new players will report April 1 for practice.

LOUISVILLE CUBS BASE BALL TEAM

The Louisville Cubs are open to all comers. James Stringer, manager of the Cubs, would like to hear from some fast teams. Address 131 West Green street. The following is the lineup: Catch, Collins and Mitchell; pitch, West and Martin; third, Waston; shortstop, Booker; second, Wallace; first, Lolla; left field, Brisco; center field, Robertson; right field, West or Martin.



EX-CHAMPION JOE GANS
Old Ring Master Wins Decision Over Jabez White.

OLD RING MASTER WINS OVER JABEZ WHITE

Joe Gans Gets Decision Over English Lightweight in Ten Eeasy-Going Rounds in New York.

Special to The Freeman.

NEW YORK, March 12.—Joe Gans, former lightweight champion of the world, easily defeated Jabez White, the English lightweight champion, in a ten-round bout at the National Athletic Club last night. It was a tame exhibition, and the big crowd was disappointed, as the men were slow and lacked force behind many of their blows.

White used his left cleverly in the first two rounds, but in the third changed his tactics, relying maintly on his right. Two rounds later the cause of this shift was apparent. White had broken his left arm some time ago in England, and he hurt it early in the third round to-night.

White was knocked down in the sixth, twice in the seventh, when the bell saved him by one second, and once in the eighth.

Gans was far from being the Gans of even two years ago, as he missed several blows, misjudged distance, and failed to take advantage of many opportunities that presented themselves.

Round 1.—After fiddling for an opening, White led twice for head, but was blocked. Gans jabbed left to face and sent right to jaw. White swung hard left to nose. Gans hooked his right to jaw, and the bell found them sparring in center of ring.

Round 2.—White swung hard lafet to stomach. He also sent his left to chest and jabbed it to the jaw. White ripped his left to the stomach. Both missed right swings for the head. Gans jabbed light left to face. White swung left to neck. Gans jabbed left to face. White had a good margin in this round.

Round 3.—White forced Gans and tried a swing, but missed. White landed hard right to stamch. White changed his tactics, using a straight right to stomach instead of the left swing he tried in the first two rounds. Gans put a hard right swing to the jaw and hooked his left to the face. Honors pretty even.

Round 4.—White led left for the chin and sent his right to the jaw. He landed a hard right in the stomach. Gans uppercut with right and sent in a straight right to stomach, following up with a right hook to the jaw. White swung two lefts to jaw, followed by a hard straight right under the heart. Gans seemed to be in distress, and was weak at the bell. White's round.

Round 5.—Gans jabbed left to face and swung right to jaw. White tried for the body, but Gans sent in two jabs to the face. White jabbed twice lightly to the face, and Gans sent straight right to side of head. After an exchange of light lefts White sent right to the stomach and repeated. Gans closed the round with left and right hooks to jaw. Neither man's blows had force at this stage.

Round 6.—Gans solwed up considerably and had no speed, seemingly. He jabbed a light left to face and hooked his right to head, doing no damage. Gans swung right to jaw twice, and sent another harder one, putting White down for nine seconds. He uppercut twice with his right, and White went down again for a count of eight. White was very groggy at the bell. Gans' round.

Round 7.—Tom O'Rourke and White's other seconds worked frantically over him during the intermission, but White came up weakly. Gans sent right and left hooks to stomach. White swung right to jaw. Gans stepped in with right and left hooks to the jaw, but they were light. White's left arm seemed useless at this stage, and he could not use it. Gans uppercut with right to chin, sending White down, and the bell saved him the count of ten. Gans' round.

Round 8.—White swung right to jaw. Gans jabbed two lefts to the face and forced White about the ring, playing for a right hook. Gans uppercut with left to jaw and swung left and right to head, sending White down for six seconds. Gans swung right to the wind. White swung right to eye lightly. Both were very tired at the bell. Gans' round.

Round 9.—White slapped Gans on the jaw with an open hand. Gans put a straight right to jaw and repeated. Then he sent a right uppercut, stopping White, but failed to follow up his advantage. White got in a stiff right under the heart. Gans kept jabbing with his left, but missed several rights inexcusably. This was a very tame round, in favor of Gans.

Round 10.—Joe landed a heavy right to the wind and swung right to the ear. Joe did all the forcing. He hooked right to jaw, but missed right and left swings. White swung right to head and, although it had little force, it halted Gans. White swung again to head and ripped it into the wind. They were sparring at the bell.

SOLDIERS GIVE EXHIBITION.

MADISON BARRACKS, N. Y.—(Special.)—The boxing exhibition which the soldiers gave here several days ago proved to be an enjoyable occasion. The main feature was a five-round bout between Private Coleman, of Company C, ex-champion of Texas, and Private Mitchell, of Company B, for the heavy-weight championship of the regiment, which the latter won on points. Both men were strong and clever from start to finish, and could have gone many more rounds.

In the preliminaries were Private Garner, of Company I, who stopped Private Wallace, of Company K, in the first round for the middle-weight championship, and Tyler, of Company M, and Private Snow, of Company C, who went to a draw. They also had a pie-eating contest, which was won by a private of Company M. Company C gave a minstrel at the post hall last week.

BILLY McCLAIN MANAGER.

Transacts Business for Frank Crozier, Middleweight Wrestler.

LONDON, W. C.—(Special.)—Billy McClain, manager of Frank Crozier, champion wrestler of the world in the middleweight division, says it will be noted that this is the first colored champion of the world that the world has ever had. It falls direct in line with Jack Johnson, who is the first colored heavy-weight champion of the world. It also demonstrates the power of the management of a colored man to act in the capacity of manager, as he is now doing for Frank Crozier.

McFARLAND-CROSS BOUT.

NEW YORK.—Sam Wallach, representing Leach Cross, and Harry Gilmore, Jr., acting for Packey McFarland, met here and clinched the match for these two boys at the Fairmont Athletic Club on March 23. They are to box ten rounds at 135 pounds, weigh in at 3 o'clock in the afternoon of the bout. Cross went to Cannon's road-house, up in Westchester county, to get into shape. McFarland will commence training in a couple of days. He has not decided where he will work, but will probably go to Johnson's, in Jerome avenue.

SUNDAY BALL FOR PENN.

Bill Introduced in the Legislature at Harrisburg.

Special to The Freeman.

PITTSBURG.—There was introduced quietly at the State Legislature at Harrisburg a measure intended to legalize the playing of Sunday baseball within the confines of Pennsylvania. It was introduced by Representative Reuther, of Berks county, and it is understood that both the National and the American Leagues are back of the move, as well as some of the largest business interests of Pennsylvania. The bill provides for the appointment of a State Baseball Commission. The commission will be empowered to grant yearly licenses permitting Sunday ball.

NEW YORK BALL PLAYER ATTEMPTS LYNCHING

George McConnell, Pitcher for New York Americans, Tries to Lynch Colored Bellboy in Georgia.

Special to The Freeman.

MACON, Ga.—Following the theft of valuables from the room of George McConnell, pitcher for the New York American baseball team, which is in practice here, it is said McConnell and several of his companions obtained a rope and threatened to string up a Negro bellboy. The cooler members of the team are said to have kept McConnell and his comrades from using the rope. The stolen articles were found on the boy. McConnell is from Anderson, S. C. Detectives locked the Negro up.

JOHNSON WILLING TO FIGHT JEFF ANY TIME

Special to The Freeman.

VANCOUVER, B. C., March 10.—"I will fight Jim Jeffries any time on three weeks' notice."

"You will fight this year?"

"I will fight this year, or any other year."

This statement was made by Jack Johnson in reply to queries. The black champion went further. He said:

"I have read what Jeffries had to say in New York last night. When Jeffries and John Johnson get in the ring you can bet it will be a great event. People will come from everywhere," and his eyes glistened as if he was already counting the gate receipts.

"I won't let a little thing like a theatrical engagement interfere with the match with Jeffries," he continued. "I am ready any time. It takes two to make a bargain. When he says he is willing, I will be there. If he said this afternoon he would fight now, I will engage to fight him three weeks after I get to the place where we meet. I will fight him one month from now, two months, three months—any time at all. They can go ahead making arrangements for this summer or this fall, as fast as they like. The British theatrical engagement can wait."

Vancouver hotel proprietors drew the color line very strictly when Jack Johnson, the black heavyweight champion, attempted to secure accommodations with his white wife. They obtained accommodations at the Dominion, a downtown hotel. Johnson spent part of the night at the home of George Paris, a boxing instructor.

TROY, ALA.

Special to The Freeman.

Last Sunday was concert day at St. Paul A. M. E. Sunday School. The following program was rendered: Recitations by the children; music by Sunday School choir; quartette, "Soldier's Farewell," by Smith Mahorn, Thorney Evans, Jesse Tinsley, W. H. Wallace; paper, "As a Rule, Education Is Necessary for a Successful Life;" response by P. T. Mitchell. ....The Allens Endeavor League was organized last Sunday morning at St. Paul A. M. E. Church. The following officers were elected: P. T. Mitchell, president; C. C. Fryer, vice president; Miss Leila Love, secretary; Miss Grubbs, treasurer.

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CITY AND SOCIETY.

Mrs. Arsenath Artis, of Marion, was in the city Saturday.

Mrs. Mary Sawyer, of St. Joseph, Mich., will visit her sister, Mrs. Susie Clark, in this city.

Miss Eunice Hibbetts entertained the "Lochinvars" last Wednesday evening at her home, in North Missouri street.

Miss Sulressa Davis and Miss Sarah Wingfield, of Muncie, were in the city Sunday, the guests of Miss Sallie Adams.

The Woman's Improvement Club observed its guest night at the home of its president, Mrs. Lillian Brown, Thursday night.

The Alpha Home board of managers is arranging to give a "ladies' minstrels" for the benefit of the building fund some time in April.

Mrs. Joseph Ford returned to her home at Grand Rapids, Mich., this week, after four weeks spent in the city with Miss Daisy Walker.

The Topaz Cluster Club was entertained by Mrs. Stella Fisher yesterday afternoon at her home, in West Tenth street. Prize whist was a feature.

Rev. Leroy Mitchell, pastor of Metropolitan Baptist Church, has received a flattering call from a church at Muncie. Rev. Mitchell will not accept.

Mrs. Ella Clay is rapidly improving from her recent indisposition. She is at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Evans, in Lock street.

A dramatization of "Hiawatha" will be given in April under the auspices of the Woman's Improvement Club, under the direction of Mrs. Lillian J. Brown.

Holy communion will be held at St. Phillips' Episcopal Church to-morrow at 8:30 A. M. All members are requested to be present. Regular services at 4 o'clock P. M.

Special services at Caldwell A. M. E. Zion Church, Tremont avenue and West Eleventh streets, Haughville, Rev. T. A. Fenderson, pastor. Rev. John M. Davis, B. D., will preach at 3:30 P. M. The public is invited.

The Y. C. W. P. A. vesper services will be held Sunday, March 21, at New Bethel Baptist Church, corner Martindale avenue and Sixteenth street. The meeting will be addressed by Miss Laura Donnan. The program will begin at 4 o'clock sharp.

PRESIDING ELDERS' COUNCIL.

The Presiding Elders' Council of the Fourth Episcopal District of the A. M. E. Church was held at Richmond, Ind., during the week, the presiding elders from the States of Iowa, Illinois, Michigan and Indiana being present. Bishop C. T. Shaffer, of Chicago, presided at the meeting. Revs. G. H. Shaffer and G. C. Sampson, of this city, attended the meeting.

ALMOST AN ENTIRE FAMILY DIES.

The funeral was held at Norwood, Wednesday, of Greene Mays, father of a well-known family of the village, which has been visited by death for the fourth time within seven months. The first of the family to die was Oscar W. Mays, a lad eight years of age, who died August 3. Next the mother, Josephine Mays, died October 29. On November 15 James Willard Mays, age three years, died, and now the father, forty years old, died last Sunday, at the home in Prospect street, Norwood. Rev. J. Winfield, pastor of Penick Chapel, assisted by Rev. G. C. Sampson, preached the funeral.

DEATH OF JAMES GIRTON.

James Girton, colored, aged fifty-three, who had been employed in the L. S. Ayres family for thirty-three years, and who died Monday morning, was buried Thursday afternoon. He was a man of massive frame and unusual strength, united with childlike gentleness. He was born at Lebanon, Ky., in slavery. His loyalty and willing service endeared him to the family in which he so long served. He had been a resident of this city for thirty-five years. A widow, Mrs. Eliza Girton, a son, Benjamin Girton, and three brothers survive him. The funeral services were held at the Second Christian Church, Thirteenth and Missouri streets.

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REV. STANSFIELD TO LECTURE.

An attractive feature of the coming Lexington Conference, which is held in this city March 24 to 29, will be the lecture to be delivered the evening of March 26 by Rev. Joshua Stansfield. His subject will be "The Hero of Babylon." This event is looked forward to with much interest by the general public. Dr. Stansfield is regarded as one of the ablest speakers of the Methodist Church, and it will repay all who hear him.

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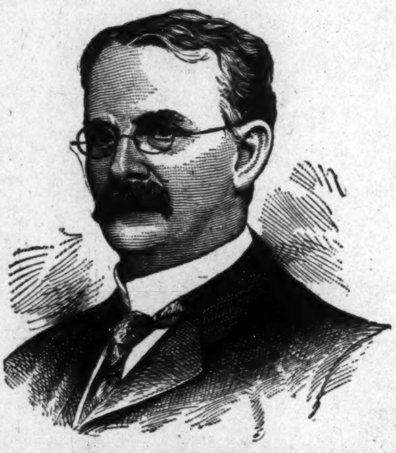
Y. M. C. A. NOTES.

"Ram's Horn" Brown has been secured for the "monster meeting" of the Colored Young Men's Christian Association for Sunday. This announcement will pack the house. Dr. E. P. Brown, better known as "Ram's Horn" Brown, is the man who originated and made famous the great "Ram's Horn." Dr. Brown was an infidel for years, but was converted through the preaching of the late L. L. Moody, and is one of the best evangelists of to-day. As a platform speaker and Chautauqua orator he has no equal along his line. He is witty, humorous, brilliant, instructive, and yet wonderfully practical. The public and press speak of him in the highest terms. The management of the "monster meeting" feel that in Dr. Brown they have the strongest card of the season. No man should miss this opportunity of hearing this strong, forceful and practical speaker on Sunday, when he gives one of his very strongest addresses to men; subject, "Picking Out a Pinnacle."

The meeting will be held in Jones Tabernacle, corner West North and Blackford streets, at 3 P. M. Musical program by the Colored Y. M. C. A. Orchestra. We want the house packed. Four hundred men last Sunday heard Hon. C. W. Fairbanks. Five hundred men ought to hear Dr. Brown.



Ram's Horn Brown.

Some of His Sayings.

God hates a short yardstick.
Do right and you will feel right.
The devil hates every good mother.
The devil gets the man who hesitates.
An hour lost may be a gold mine lost.
The religion that does no good is no good.
The running horse isn't bothered with flies.
A man with a wooden head needs iron legs.
The man who aims at nothing always hits it.
If you want your boy to do right, show him how.
If you love your neighbor, don't buy his boy a drum.
The man who loves right and does right, is right.
There are no big words in the sermon on the mount.
Treat your wife better and you will have a better one.
The devil gets many a boy by getting his father first.
Baptised meanness is no better than any other kind.
The loafer never blames the right man for his bad luck.
All sins have blue eyes and golden hair when they are young.
A lion lives more in a minute than a mouse does in a year.
Everybody says, "Go up higher," to the man who is getting there.
You can't make a dyspeptic believe the Milenium will ever come.
It is as natural for men to go down stream as it is for water to do it.
Nobody thinks much of the man who has a poor opinion of himself.

TELLS OF PROGRESS OF THE COLORED PEOPLE

Charles W. Fairbanks Speaks at "Monster Meeting."

Former Vice-President Charles W. Fairbanks addressed the "monster meeting" of the colored Y. M. C. A. at Jones Tabernacle yesterday afternoon, taking as his topic the rapid progress the colored race has made since its emancipation and the things it may yet accomplish. The church was crowded beyond its seating capacity and before Mr. Fairbanks began speaking he received an ovation lasting two or three minutes, during which the audience stood, some waving handkerchiefs, others clapping hands.

George L. Knox, on behalf of the association, welcomed the return of Mr. Fairbanks as a private citizen after twelve years of public service, speaking of him as something bigger than a "Teddy Bear" or a "Billy Possum," characterizing him as the biggest American citizen.

"I come from old abolition stock," said Mr. Fairbanks, "and I was taught from youth to believe the colored people were endowed with all of the natural rights with which any other people were endowed. I witnessed their liberation little more than forty-five years ago, and I have watched their progress since that time with interest.

"Here is a man who was a slave. Today he is a successful business man with the respect of the community. The president of your association stands as a wise leader among the colored people, he has the respect of the citizens of the whole city and he has made for himself an honorable career.

"The work you are doing is splendid, and I most heartily congratulate you upon it. You have made much advance as a race since your freedom was secured. Some people wonder that you have not made more progress; the marvel is that you have made so much.

"It is the weakling that has to be carried along; the colored people have won because they have been taught the spirit of self-reliance, and there is a great deal in that. Contribute liberally to support your own charities; contribute freely to the extent of your ability to build up and increase the efficiency of the Y. M. C. A. It inculcates a spirit of thrift among the young colored men of the community; it exerts a wholesome moral influence throughout the community. Without morality there can be no great and lasting advance.

"Be industrious in whatever is honorable to make your way in the world. Teach sobriety and temperance in all things. Build up the home, for that is the strength of the republic in the final analysis. Educate your children—let education be your watchword. Educate in many directions—educate the brain and then the hand, for the brain and hand are the twins that will build up towns, erect buildings and beautify the universe.

"Be useful and live not alone for your self. The most miserable picture is that of the miser who gathers in gold, then goes to some dark retreat to feast his eyes upon it, giving nothing for the benefits of his fellowman.

"I have heard of plans to colonize the colored people in Liberia. I have read articles on the subject. I have reflected upon them and have formed the conclusion that the man who has an idea like that in mind is absolutely too silly to come in when it rains. The colored people were born on American soil and under the American flag; they love their country and they will leave it no sooner than their white American brother.

"It is wonderful the race the colored people has run since Abraham Lincoln's proclamation and it is only prophetic of the more rapid race to be run in the future. It takes time to test the capacity of a people and the last forty years have disclosed the fact that the colored people want to better themselves."

Willis A. Kersey, president of the association, presided at the meeting. A musical program of several numbers was given by the Y. M. C. A. orchestra before the arrival of Mr. Fairbanks. Fololwing his address, the Rev. John H. Hector, of York, Pa., known as the "Black Knight," urged the colored people to exercise their right of suffrage by voting for the extinction of the liquor traffic and to support county option. He has been a temperance worker for twenty-seven years and is in Indiana working among the colored people in counties where county option elections are to be held.

Speaking of temperance agitation in the South, the colored minister said:

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Special to THE FREEMAN.

Mrs. Joseph Conway is entertaining Mrs. Hammond of Chicago....Mrs. F. G. Munday came from Quincy to attend her mother whi is ill....Mrs. Asa James of Spur, Ill., is at St. Francis hospital....The "Nil Desperandum Club," lately organized, and whose purpose is to entertain visitors, will give a parlor concert at the home of Mrs. Wagoner on Seventh street on the 23d....Mr. I. C. Harper of Swinnerton street is confined to his home with a severe cold....A number of friends called to offer congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Stanton Fields, Thursday evening on their nineteenth anniversary, and to wish them many happy returns of the day....Mrs. H. C. Gibson has returned from Monica where she was the guest of Mrs. Crews....Miss Jessie Bailey of Stuebenville street has the "grip."....The Woman's Aaid Club is to give an entertainment March 29th. The club has bought property on Globe street near Main and the business part of the city, where they intend erecting a handsome building in the future, which will be a credit to the club and the race as well....Rev. J. S. Woods of Chicago will lecture Thursday evening at Ward Chapel. Subject, "Abraham Lincoln." Rev. Woods has many friends in the city and a large crowd is expected to be present.

ERIE, PA.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Ruth, the infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Pleasant Peters, is quite ill with pneumonia. ....J. Eearley and O. Barnet of Cleveland, Ohio, were the guests of Miss Ruth Baxter last week....Mrs. William Logan and daughter of Youngstown, Ohio, are spending a few days with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Franklin....Mrs. Jennie C. Robinson of Erie, and Mr. C. Poole of Youngstown, were united in marriage the 2d at their residence by Rev. J. O. Morley. They will reside in Youngstown....Mrs. Clarence C. Kittrell who underwent a very serious operation at St. Vincent's hospital is rapidly recovering. Mr. Kittrell desires to htank all for their kindness during his wife's recent illness....Mrs. Emma Connors of Denver, Col., who has been visiting her parents for several weeks returned to her home last Wednesday....Read the Indianapolis Freeman. It can be had every Saturday at the residence of C. C. Kittrell, 311 Chestnut St. ....A Mother Goose social was given Friday evening by the Morning Bells of the St. James A M. E. S. S., Mrs. Clara Williams, teacher. It was a sucess...A dancing party will be given April 28th by the Friendly Club in Cantlow Hall....Master John S. Hicks, who has been quite ill with scarlet fever, is slowly improving....Mrs. J. O. Morley is among the sick.

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CASH CAPITAL, $150,000.00

Assets		
Cash on hand and in bank..............	$ 52,488.38	
Loans on real estate..............	184,778.83	
Bonds owned..............	56,480.27	
* Bills and accounts receivable..............	5,230.58	
Loans on collateral..............	25,600.00	
Real estate owned..............	1,368.93	
Interest accrued..............	4,493.60	
* Furniture and fixtures..............	12,317.09	
Total assets..............		$342,757.68
Liabilities		
Reserve on life element..............	$ 81,094.06	
Reserve on casuality element..............	13,819.70	
Reserve for undetermined claims..............	3,144.96	
Agents' bond deposits..............	4,552.62	
Taxes, accrued but not due..............	9,000 00	
Contingent reserve..............	10,000.00	
Total liabilities..............		$121,611.34
Surplus to policyholders..............		$221,146.34

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